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## SEPTEMBER NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES [from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program]

### September's Unemployment Rate Down to 5.7 Percent

The New Hampshire *not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate* for the *month of September declined to 5.7 percent*, 0.2 percentage points below the *unchanged estimate for August of 5.9 percent*. The *current September rate* estimate is the *lowest September rate since 1990* when it was also *5.7 percent*. Using comparable computation methodology, the *highest September rate occurred last year* when *7.4 percent was recorded*, 1.7 percentage points higher than the current rate.

**Special:**
Attached to this issue is a fact sheet describing the *new* NHES electronic bulletin board, *New Hampshire WORKS*.

*Nationally, the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September* dipped slightly to *6.4 percent. down 0.1 percentage points*. The *revised rate for August* remained *unchanged at 6.5 percent*. *New Hampshire* has now established a string of *five consecutive months of remaining below* the *national unemployment rate*, which itself has declined 1.5 percentage points since the beginning of 1993. *One year ago the national rate for September was 7.2 percent.* (Please see *Figure a*.)

The *seasonally adjusted New Hampshire unemployment rate* for September was *6.0 percent*, a change of 0.3 percentage points *compared with the August seasonally adjusted rate of 6.3 percent*. One year ago the *September rate for the state was 7.6 percent*. The *national seasonally adjusted unemployment rate* for *September 1993 was 6.7 percent*, unchanged when compared over-the-month with August. The *September 1992 national rate was 7.5 percent*. (Please see *Table 1.1* and *Figure b*.)

### Labor Force Decreases During September

The *estimated labor force* for New Hampshire *decreased* in September to *642,580, a drop of 6,200*. The estimated *labor force for August* was *revised to 648,780*. The *current labor force* level is an *increase of 13,380* over-the-year when *compared with the September 1992 level of 629,200*.

### September Employment Levels Dip 0.7 Percent

The *September residence-based employment* estimate *declined 4,070* to a *total of 606,130, a decrease of 0.7 percent* over-the-month. September employment levels are

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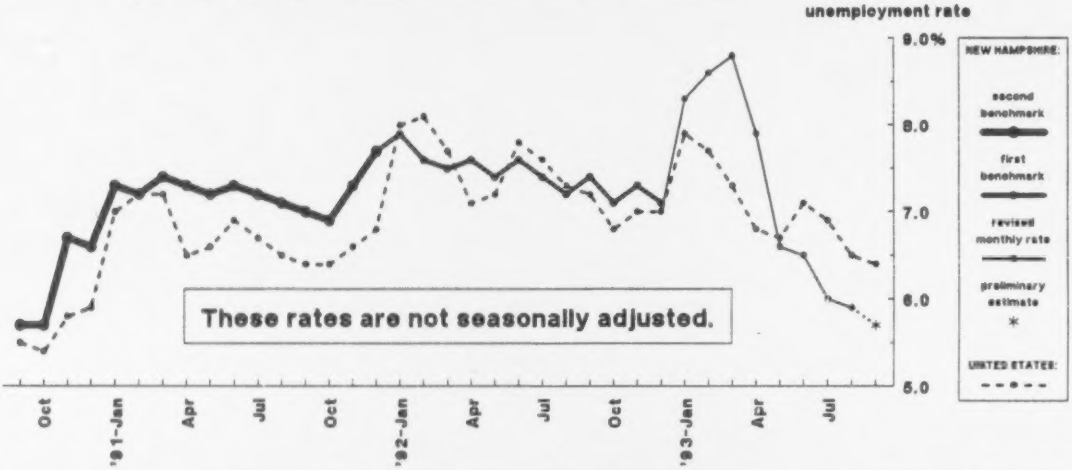
## Figure a. NH AND US UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES

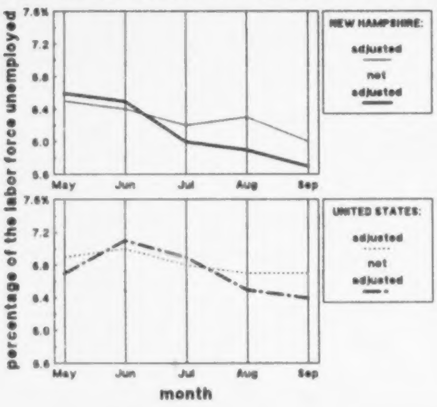


Note: *These rates, estimated using methodology adopted in September 1989 are not directly comparable to monthly rates published prior to that time. It is important to note the difference between* ***seasonally adjusted*** *and* ***not seasonally adjusted*** *estimates. Both are included in this publication. Seasonal adjustment adds an extra layer of estimating with potential for distorting the base estimates, but it enables cross-month comparisons. With not seasonally adjusted estimates, over-the-month comparisons are affected by seasonal changes and thus could present misleading representation of underlying trends. To eliminate this bias, it is necessary to compare a not-seasonally-adjusted number with that of the same month in other years.*

Table 1.1. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | May-93 | Jun-93 | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.2% | 6.3% | 6.0% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 636,900 | 634,970 | 630,660 | 642,290 | 648,490 |
| Number Employed | 595,490 | 594,070 | 591,650 | 601,650 | 609,280 |
| Number Unemployed | 41,410 | 40,900 | 39,010 | 40,640 | 39,210 |
| UNITED STATES | (United States labor force numbers in thousands) | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.9% | 7.0% | 6.8% | 6.7% | 6.7% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,131 | 128,127 | 128,070 | 128,370 | 127,975 |
| Number Employed | 119,273 | 119,219 | 119,301 | 119,710 | 119,457 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,858 | 8,908 | 8,769 | 8,661 | 8,517 |

Figure b. NEW HAMPSHIRE AND UNITED STATES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES - LAST FIVE MONTHS NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED vs SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



typically impacted by students leaving summer jobs and returning to school. The *revised August employment* estimate was *610,200. Over-the-year employment increased 23,380 from a 582,750 level* in September 1992.

**Unemployed Levels Decline in September**

The *estimated unemployment levels* for New Hampshire *declined 2,130* in September to *36,450*. The *unemployed level for August was revised at 38,580.* Doing a *year-to-year comparison* with September 1992 produced a *very favorable result* as the *number of unemployed was 10,000 less* than one year ago.

### SEPTEMBER NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES [from the Current Employment Survey (CES or BLS 790) program]

**Over-the-Month:**

**Nonagricultural Employment Increases 8,300**

*New Hampshire's August to September nonfarm wage and salary employment increased by 8,300* jobs, a *1.7 percent gain* over-the-month. This *resulted in a September* *nonagricultural employment* level of *499,900, surpassing June's employment level of 494,600*, and establishing a new peak for the year. The *current employment total* is the *largest for a September since 1990*, when the *nonfarm employment level exceeded 514,000*. The *employment figure* for *August 1993* was *revised upward by 200 to 491,600*.

*Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment* for September was *estimated* to be *491,500. August's seasonally adjusted estimate* for nonfarm employment was revised to 488,000. (Please see *Table 2.1* and *Figure c.*)

## Construction Dips 500 Over the Month

*Construction employment (not seasonally adjusted)* for New Hampshire *declined 500 jobs in September*. The decrease is typical for the August-to-September time period, having followed a ten year pattern of dips in September construction employment. The 500 job *decline* produced a *percentage decrease of 2.6 percent*, resulting in a *September total of 18,800*. The *revised construction employment estimate for August was 19,300.*

## Manufacturing Employment Gains Slightly

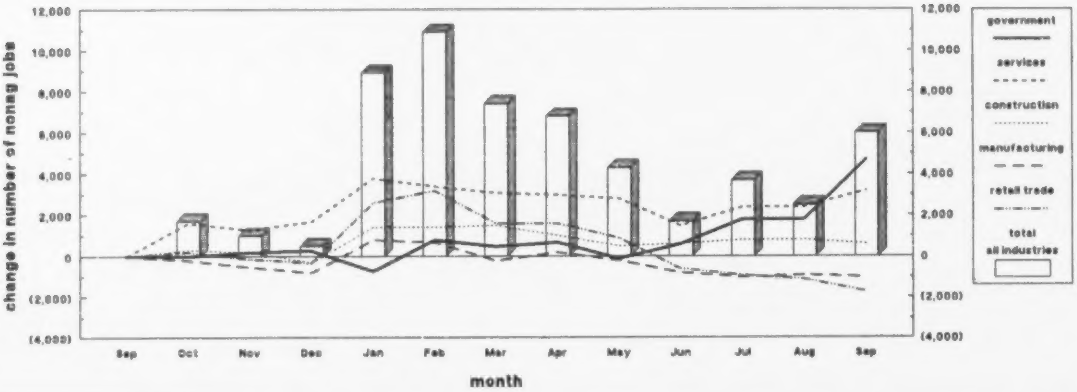
*New Hampshire manufacturing employment gained 0.2 percent* by increasing *200 jobs* for a *September total of 97,100. Manufacturing employment for August* was *revised down to 96,900. Nondurable goods and durable goods shared equally in the September increase*. Nondurable goods was *paced by rubber and miscellaneous plastic products*. Durable goods attributed *small gains to electronic and electrical equipment*.

Table 2.1. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

| Industry | May-93 | Jun-93 | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 489,800 | 487,200 | 489,200 | 488,000 | 491,500 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 16,600 | 16,700 | 16,900 | 16,900 | 16,700 |
| manufacturing | 97,200 | 96,600 | 96,400 | 96,500 | 96,400 |
| durable goods | 65,700 | 65,400 | 65,400 | 65,100 | 64,900 |
| nondurable goods | 31,500 | 31,200 | 31,000 | 31,400 | 31,500 |
| transportation, communications, public utilities | 17,100 | 17,000 | 16,700 | 16,400 | 17,000 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 125,100 | 123,900 | 123,800 | 123,000 | 122,600 |
| wholesale trade | 21,800 | 22,100 | 22,300 | 21,700 | 21,900 |
| retail trade | 103,300 | 101,800 | 101,500 | 101,300 | 100,700 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,200 | 29,000 | 29,300 | 29,100 | 29,000 |
| services | 132,300 | 131,000 | 131,900 | 131,900 | 132,700 |
| government | 71,800 | 72,500 | 73,700 | 73,700 | 76,600 |

* Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.

Figure c. CHANGE OVER THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT, ALL INDUSTRIES AND SELECTED INDUSTRY GROUPS



### Trade Employment Declines Over the Month

*Trade employment* for September *declined to 125,100, a loss of 2,700 jobs* over-the-month. The *trade employment* level for *August was revised to 127,800.* September's *retail trade absorbed* all the *losses by dropping 2,800 positions. Eating and drinking establishments, apparel and accessories, and food stores combined* to provide *the majority of those losses.* The *total net decrease* was *attained by wholesale trade gaining 100 jobs.*

### Services Employment Down 0.7 Percent

*Services employment* in September *decreased 0.7 percent, down 900* to an *estimated 135,400 jobs. Membership organizations; amusements, including movies; and hotels and other lodging* combined to *pace services losses. Educational services,* as expected, *and business services led the gains.* The *services employment* estimate for *August was revised to 136,300.*

### Government Jobs Increase in September

*Government employment* in New Hampshire *increased* during September to a *combined total of 76,500.* This *17.9 percent increase* represented a *gain of 11,600 jobs* for the month. The combined *total for August was revised to 64,900.* Over-the-month *federal government* employment *remained unchanged,* while the opening of primary and secondary schools generated *6,700 local government jobs.* Similarly, the opening of the State University and colleges caused *state government employment to gain 4,900* positions.

### Other Monthly Changes

The *finance, insurance, and real estate* sector experienced an over-the-month *loss of 400 jobs,* decreasing to a September employment *level of 29,100; transportation, communication, and public utilities* employment *gained 1,000 jobs,* mostly school bus driver positions, rising to a *total of 17,400.*

## Over-the-Year Changes:

### Nonagricultural Jobs Increase Over the Year

*New Hampshire's nonagricultural wage and salary employment* for September-to-September experienced a *6,000 job gain* for the *twelve month period.* This represented a *1.2 percent increase* that translated to September's *total of 499,900.* The revised nonfarm estimate for *September 1992 was 493,900.*

The *service producing sector,* with a *gain of 6,400 jobs,* was the *major contributor* to the September-to-September *total increase in nonfarm employment.* The services group and government, the latter paced by state and local education, *posted the largest gains within service producing.*

### Manufacturing Employment Declines Over the Year

*New Hampshire manufacturing employment decreased 1,000 jobs* over-the-year when comparing *September 1993 (97,100)* with *September 1992 (98,100).* After a slight year-to-year gain was observed last September, this latest loss reverted back to declining September-to-September manufacturing employment that dominated the recession years. The *major contributor to manufacturing job losses* was the *durable goods sector* which experienced significant year-to-year *declines in industrial/commercial machinery.*

The *durable goods sector in September (65,300)* experienced an over-the-year *decrease of 1,800 jobs,* when compared with *67,100 for September 1992.* As stated, *industrial/commercial machinery* was the *major contributor* to the current decline with *1,500 job losses.* Other areas in durable goods experienced mixed reactions.

*Manufacturing employment* in the *nondurable goods sector* made an over-the-year *gain of 800 jobs,* as *rubber/miscellaneous plastic products, textile mill products, and apparel and other textiles* combined to *pace the increase.* Paper led declines with 400 jobs losses.

## Table 1. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE FOR THE UNITED STATES AND NEW HAMPSHIRE AND ITS SUB STATE AREAS

| | UNEMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE: | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | September 1993 | | August 1993 | | September 1992 | | Numerical Change from Previous: | | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Numerical Change from Previous: | |
| | Number | Rate | Number | Rate | Number | Rate | Month | Year | | | | Month | Year |
| **United States** *(thousands)* | 8,128 | 6.4% | 8,470 | 6.5% | 9,090 | 7.2% | -342 | -962 | 127,858 | 129,472 | 127,044 | -1,614 | 814 |
| **New Hampshire** *(based on the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics' (43 step handbook method) adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **State Total** | 36,450 | 5.7% | 38,580 | 5.9% | 46,450 | 7.4% | -2,130 | -10,000 | 642,580 | 648,780 | 629,200 | -6,200 | 13,380 |
| **Labor Market Areas:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Berlin LMA | 1,190 | 4.1% | 1,300 | 4.5% | 1,510 | 5.3% | -110 | -320 | 28,740 | 28,920 | 28,570 | -180 | 170 |
| Claremont LMA | 2,330 | 4.8% | 1,650 | 3.3% | 2,370 | 5.1% | 680 | -40 | 48,360 | 50,060 | 46,740 | -1,700 | 1,620 |
| Concord LMA | 2,560 | 4.4% | 2,740 | 4.5% | 3,850 | 6.8% | -180 | -1,290 | 58,340 | 60,450 | 56,500 | -2,110 | 1,840 |
| Keene LMA | 1,710 | 3.5% | 2,730 | 5.7% | 2,120 | 4.7% | -1,020 | -410 | 48,570 | 47,420 | 44,900 | 1,150 | 3,670 |
| Laconia LMA | 2,830 | 5.1% | 2,740 | 5.1% | 3,720 | 6.7% | 90 | -890 | 55,840 | 53,940 | 55,950 | 1,900 | -110 |
| Littleton LMA | 690 | 3.4% | 740 | 3.5% | 1,250 | 6.0% | -50 | -560 | 20,460 | 21,370 | 20,720 | -910 | -260 |
| Manchester MSA | 4,820 | 5.7% | 4,770 | 5.5% | 6,580 | 7.8% | 50 | -1,760 | 85,110 | 86,930 | 84,040 | -1,820 | 1,070 |
| Nashua PMSA | 7,630 | 7.5% | 7,690 | 7.6% | 8,190 | 8.4% | -60 | -560 | 101,760 | 101,390 | 97,570 | 370 | 4,190 |
| Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH PMSA, *NH portion** | 5,500 | 9.6% | 5,840 | 10.0% | 7,140 | 12.2% | -340 | -1,640 | 57,230 | 58,340 | 58,330 | -1,110 | -1,100 |
| Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH-ME MSA | 5,360 | 3.8% | 6,130 | 4.3% | 7,190 | 5.2% | -770 | -1,830 | 142,070 | 142,400 | 139,050 | -330 | 3,020 |
| Unattached Estimating Area | 2,070 | 9.5% | 2,480 | 10.7% | 2,640 | 11.7% | -410 | -570 | 21,810 | 23,170 | 22,480 | -1,360 | -670 |
| Pelham (*NH portion* Lowell MA-NH PMSA) | 550 | 10.8% | 580 | 11.3% | 720 | 13.8% | -30 | -170 | 5,050 | 5,140 | 5,220 | -90 | -170 |
| **Counties:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Belknap | 1,480 | 5.2% | 1,500 | 5.5% | 1,920 | 6.8% | -20 | -440 | 28,190 | 27,420 | 28,160 | 770 | 30 |
| Carroll | 850 | 4.0% | 850 | 4.1% | 1,000 | 4.8% | 0 | -150 | 20,970 | 20,780 | 20,810 | 190 | 160 |
| Cheshire | 1,570 | 3.6% | 2,470 | 5.8% | 1,890 | 4.7% | -900 | -320 | 43,480 | 42,430 | 40,150 | 1,050 | 3,330 |
| Coos | 1,020 | 4.6% | 1,160 | 5.2% | 1,390 | 6.3% | -140 | -370 | 22,060 | 22,430 | 22,060 | -370 | 0 |
| Grafton | 2,270 | 4.7% | 1,690 | 3.5% | 2,570 | 5.4% | 580 | -300 | 48,050 | 48,780 | 47,250 | -730 | 800 |
| Hillsborough | 12,630 | 6.7% | 12,970 | 6.8% | 15,180 | 8.3% | -340 | 310 | 187,530 | 189,450 | 182,690 | -1,920 | 4,840 |
| Merrimack | 3,010 | 4.4% | 3,010 | 4.3% | 4,540 | 6.8% | 0 | -1,530 | 68,440 | 70,040 | 66,920 | -1,600 | 1,520 |
| Rockingham | 9,620 | 7.1% | 10,270 | 7.5% | 12,390 | 9.2% | -650 | -2,770 | 135,710 | 137,570 | 134,960 | -1,860 | 750 |
| Strafford | 3,000 | 4.6% | 3,760 | 5.8% | 4,230 | 6.7% | -760 | -1,230 | 64,690 | 65,330 | 63,190 | -640 | 1,500 |
| Sullivan | 1,030 | 4.4% | 900 | 3.7% | 1,350 | 5.9% | 130 | -320 | 23,510 | 24,540 | 23,020 | -1,030 | 490 |

* *The New Hampshire portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA) is made up of 13 Rockingham County towns - the two largest towns - Derry and Salem, plus Atkinson, Brentwood, Danville, East Kingston, Hampstead, Kingston, Newton, Plaistow, Sandown, Seabrook, and Windham. The estimates for the* ***entire*** *PMSA, which can be obtained from the State of Massachusetts, are probably* ***more reliable*** *indicators of economic conditions in the area. This is likewise true for Town of Pelham estimates.*

### Trade Jobs Decline September to September

*September's trade employment* for New Hampshire was an *estimated 125,100*, a *decline of 1,100 jobs* when compared with *126,200 for September 1992. Wholesale trade* employment was *up 500 jobs* over-the-year, leveling at *22,000 for September 1993; retail employment (103,100) decreased 1,600 jobs* September-to-September. *Food stores* continued to *pace declines* over the twelve month period. *Automotive dealers* experienced slight *year-to-year gains.*

### Construction Employment Gains 3.3 Percent Over the Year

*Construction employment for September (18,800) gained 600 jobs* year-to-year. This is a *3.3 percent increase* over construction employment *(18,200) for September 1992.* The current increase is the *first September over-the-year gain* for construction employment *since 1987.*

### Government Jobs Increase 6.4 Percent

*Total government employment* for New Hampshire *(76,500), gained 4,600 jobs for a 6.4 percent* year-to-year increase. *Local government* employment realized *1,700 positions* and *state government increased 3,000 jobs,* both on the strength of *gains in local and state education. Federal government* employment *declined 100 jobs* over-the-year.

*Charles K. Hood*

## Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AS, OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program**<br>**LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES** *(by place of residence)* | **Number of Workers** | | | **Numerical Change From Previous:** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year |
| Civilian Labor Force | 642,580 | 648,780 | 629,200 | -6,200 | 13,380 |
| Unemployment | 36,450 | 38,580 | 46,450 | -2,130 | -10,000 |
| Percent of Labor Force | 5.7 | 5.9 | 7.4 | — | — |
| Employment Total | 606,130 | 610,200 | 582,750 | -4,070 | 23,380 |

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY** *(by place of establishment, benchmarked on September 1992 data)* | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Numerical Change From Previous:** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT | 499,900 | 491,600 | 493,900 | 8,300 | 6,000 |
| Total Private | 423,400 | 426,700 | 422,000 | -3,300 | 1,400 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 116,400 | 116,700 | 116,800 | -300 | -400 |
| Mining | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| Construction | 18,800 | 19,300 | 18,200 | -500 | 600 |
| Manufacturing | 97,100 | 96,900 | 98,100 | 200 | -1,000 |
| Durable Goods* | 65,300 | 65,200 | 67,100 | 100 | -1,800 |
| Lumber and wood products | 3,900 | 3,800 | 4,200 | 100 | -300 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 1,900 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 100 | 0 |
| Primary metal products | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,900 | 0 | 100 |
| Fabricated metal products | 7,400 | 7,300 | 7,200 | 100 | 200 |
| Industrial/commercial machinery, computer equipment | 19,300 | 19,400 | 20,800 | -100 | -1,500 |
| Electronic/electrical equipment/components except computer | 13,700 | 13,400 | 13,300 | 300 | 400 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | 2,100 | 2,100 | 1,900 | 0 | 200 |
| Instruments and related products | 11,100 | 11,300 | 11,900 | -200 | -800 |
| Nondurable Goods* | 31,800 | 31,700 | 31,000 | 100 | 800 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,400 | 0 | 300 |
| Apparel and other textiles | 2,200 | 2,200 | 1,900 | 0 | 300 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,600 | 0 | -400 |
| Printing and publishing | 7,200 | 7,300 | 7,200 | -100 | 0 |
| Leather and leather products | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 8,600 | 8,400 | 8,100 | 200 | 500 |
| SERVICE PRODUCING | 383,500 | 374,900 | 377,100 | 8,600 | 6,400 |
| Private Service Producing | 307,000 | 310,000 | 305,200 | -3,000 | 1,800 |
| Transportation, communications, and utilities | 17,400 | 16,400 | 17,300 | 1,000 | 100 |
| Trade | 125,100 | 127,800 | 126,200 | -2,700 | -1,100 |
| Wholesale trade | 22,000 | 21,900 | 21,500 | 100 | 500 |
| Retail trade | 103,100 | 105,900 | 104,700 | -2,800 | -1,600 |
| Finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,100 | 29,500 | 29,500 | -400 | -400 |
| Services (except private households), agricultural services | 135,400 | 136,300 | 132,200 | -900 | 3,200 |
| Health services | 41,100 | 41,400 | 41,400 | -300 | -300 |
| Government | 76,500 | 64,900 | 71,900 | 11,600 | 4,600 |
| Federal | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,800 | 0 | -100 |
| State | 22,300 | 17,400 | 19,300 | 4,900 | 3,000 |
| Local | 46,500 | 39,800 | 44,800 | 6,700 | 1,700 |
| Persons involved in labor disputes<br>(not included in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment Total above) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

## Table 3. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES AS OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program**<br>LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES<br>*(by place of residence)* | **Manchester MSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | |
| | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year |
| Civilian labor force | 85,110 | 86,930 | 84,040 | -1,820 | 1,070 | 101,760 | 101,390 | 97,570 | 370 | 4,190 | 142,070 | 142,400 | 139,050 | -330 | 3,020 |
| Unemployment | 4,820 | 4,770 | 6,580 | 50 | -1,760 | 7,630 | 7,690 | 8,190 | -60 | -560 | 5,360 | 6,130 | 7,190 | -770 | -1,830 |
| Percentage of labor force | 5.7 | 5.5 | 7.8 | — | — | 7.5 | 7.6 | 8.4 | — | — | 3.8 | 4.3 | 5.2 | — | — |
| Employment total | 80,290 | 82,160 | 77,460 | -1,870 | 2,830 | 94,130 | 93,700 | 89,380 | 430 | 4,750 | 136,710 | 136,270 | 131,860 | 440 | 4,850 |

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY**<br>*(by place of establishment, benchmarked on September 1992 data)* | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT | 76,300 | 76,700 | 75,700 | -400 | 600 | 85,300 | 83,200 | 83,500 | 2,100 | 1,800 | 110,400 | 106,800 | 107,900 | 3,600 | 2,500 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 13,100 | 13,200 | 12,700 | -100 | 400 | 30,500 | 30,900 | 30,800 | -400 | -300 | 22,200 | 22,000 | 22,500 | 200 | -300 |
| Construction and Mining | 3,300 | 3,500 | 3,000 | -200 | 300 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,500 | -100 | 0 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 3,000 | -100 | -100 |
| Manufacturing | 9,800 | 9,700 | 9,700 | 100 | 100 | 28,000 | 28,300 | 28,300 | -300 | -300 | 19,300 | 19,000 | 19,500 | 300 | -200 |
| Durable Goods | 5,700 | 5,600 | 6,000 | 100 | -300 | 22,000 | 22,300 | 22,400 | -300 | -400 | 11,600 | 11,500 | 11,900 | 100 | -300 |
| Machinery, electrical equip | 2,700 | 2,700 | 2,500 | 0 | 200 | 12,700 | 12,800 | 12,800 | -100 | -100 | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A |
| Nondurable Goods | 4,100 | 4,100 | 3,700 | 0 | 400 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,900 | 0 | 100 | 7,700 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 200 | 100 |
| SERVICE PRODUCING | 63,200 | 63,500 | 63,000 | -300 | 200 | 54,800 | 52,300 | 52,700 | 2,500 | 2,100 | 88,200 | 84,800 | 85,400 | 3,400 | 2,800 |
| Transportation and public util | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,300 | -100 | 200 | 3,500 | 3,300 | 2,900 | 200 | 600 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 100 | 200 |
| Trade | 18,600 | 18,500 | 18,700 | 100 | -100 | 20,500 | 20,500 | 20,200 | 0 | 300 | 29,400 | 29,900 | 28,600 | -500 | 800 |
| Wholesale trade | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,600 | 0 | 0 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,600 | 0 | 200 | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 0 | -100 |
| Retail trade | 14,000 | 13,900 | 14,100 | 100 | -100 | 16,700 | 16,700 | 16,600 | 0 | 100 | 26,600 | 27,100 | 25,700 | -500 | 900 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate | 7,600 | 7,800 | 8,500 | -200 | -900 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,100 | 0 | 200 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 0 | 0 |
| Service industries and other | 23,700 | 24,300 | 22,800 | -600 | 900 | 20,100 | 18,900 | 19,200 | 1,200 | 900 | 23,800 | 24,300 | 23,800 | -500 | 0 |
| Government | 8,800 | 8,300 | 8,700 | 500 | 100 | 7,400 | 6,300 | 7,300 | 1,100 | 100 | 25,000 | 20,700 | 23,200 | 4,300 | 1,800 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,800 | -100 | -300 |
| State | 800 | 900 | 900 | -100 | -100 | 500 | 300 | 400 | 200 | 100 | 7,500 | 4,500 | 5,500 | 3,000 | 2,000 |
| Local | 5,500 | 4,900 | 5,300 | 600 | 200 | 6,000 | 5,100 | 6,000 | 900 | 0 | 10,000 | 8,600 | 9,900 | 1,400 | 100 |
| Persons involved in labor disputes (not included in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment above) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**Manchester MSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, and Hooksett.
**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.
**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** -- includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth; the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Durham, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, Ogunquit, South Berwick, Wells, and York.

N.A. *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

## Table 4. AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

(Establishment Survey estimates on this page are currently projected from September 1992 CES benchmark levels.)

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $491.21 | $490.47 | $462.11 | 42.2 | 42.1 | 40.5 | $11.64 | $11.65 | $11.41 |
| Durable goods | 503.79 | 501.48 | 465.94 | 42.3 | 42.0 | 40.8 | 11.91 | 11.94 | 11.42 |
| Lumber and wood products | 361.89 | 350.37 | 344.18 | 40.3 | 39.5 | 38.2 | 8.98 | 8.87 | 9.01 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 356.59 | 396.04 | 337.15 | 42.2 | 44.3 | 43.9 | 8.45 | 8.94 | 7.68 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 430.50 | 428.46 | 470.68 | 37.5 | 37.0 | 42.1 | 11.48 | 11.58 | 11.18 |
| Primary metal products | 527.17 | 519.03 | 502.12 | 44.3 | 43.8 | 43.1 | 11.90 | 11.85 | 11.65 |
| Fabricated metal products | 471.58 | 459.95 | 428.60 | 42.6 | 41.7 | 38.2 | 11.07 | 11.03 | 11.22 |
| Industrial/commercial machinery&computer equipment | 525.16 | 520.42 | 474.66 | 40.9 | 41.6 | 40.5 | 12.84 | 12.51 | 11.72 |
| Electronic/electrical equipment except computer | 507.27 | 515.84 | 437.57 | 45.7 | 44.7 | 42.4 | 11.10 | 11.54 | 10.32 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | 339.82 | 338.45 | 331.87 | 36.5 | 38.2 | 35.8 | 9.31 | 8.86 | 9.27 |
| Instruments and related products | 604.09 | 598.73 | 598.85 | 40.9 | 40.4 | 41.5 | 14.77 | 14.82 | 14.43 |
| Nondurable goods | 466.77 | 471.06 | 454.46 | 41.9 | 42.4 | 39.9 | 11.14 | 11.11 | 11.39 |
| Food and kindred products | 602.70 | 602.03 | 555.12 | 41.0 | 39.4 | 38.1 | 14.70 | 15.28 | 14.57 |
| Textile mill products | 402.90 | 405.86 | 389.05 | 42.5 | 43.5 | 40.4 | 9.48 | 9.33 | 9.63 |
| Apparel and other textiles | 279.37 | 270.07 | 244.97 | 37.2 | 38.2 | 36.4 | 7.51 | 7.07 | 6.73 |
| Paper and allied products | 586.52 | 636.71 | 585.21 | 47.3 | 51.1 | 44.1 | 12.40 | 12.46 | 13.27 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied | 495.46 | 475.24 | 436.81 | 39.7 | 38.7 | 36.1 | 12.48 | 12.28 | 12.10 |
| Leather and leather products | 285.77 | 293.61 | 271.47 | 37.8 | 39.2 | 36.1 | 7.56 | 7.49 | 7.52 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 464.15 | 469.78 | 471.80 | 43.5 | 43.7 | 42.2 | 10.67 | 10.75 | 11.18 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 53.7%*

*Total Production Workers: 65,162*

*Firms Reporting: 432*

**Manchester Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $477.98 | $477.22 | $463.50 | 43.1 | 42.8 | 41.2 | $11.09 | $11.15 | $11.25 |
| Durable goods | 475.15 | 469.53 | 473.69 | 41.9 | 40.9 | 40.8 | 11.34 | 11.48 | 11.61 |
| Machinery and electronic equipment | 438.54 | 452.87 | 463.00 | 41.1 | 39.9 | 41.9 | 10.67 | 11.35 | 11.05 |
| Nondurable goods | 482.05 | 486.69 | 448.75 | 44.8 | 45.4 | 41.9 | 10.76 | 10.72 | 10.71 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 56.5%*

*Total Production Workers: 7,093*

*Firms Reporting: 39*

**Nashua Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $644.49 | $652.10 | $580.74 | 43.4 | 43.3 | 41.6 | $14.85 | $15.06 | $13.96 |
| Durable goods | 659.18 | 669.45 | 582.08 | 44.3 | 44.6 | 42.8 | 14.88 | 15.01 | 13.60 |
| Machinery and electronic equipment | 658.68 | 682.40 | 522.10 | 47.8 | 48.5 | 43.4 | 13.78 | 14.07 | 12.03 |
| Nondurable goods | 597.11 | 597.41 | 578.74 | 40.4 | 39.2 | 38.1 | 14.78 | 15.24 | 15.19 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 50.8%*

*Total Production Workers: 14,670*

*Firms Reporting: 84*

**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $474.73 | $475.27 | $461.62 | 41.9 | 41.8 | 41.7 | $11.33 | $11.37 | $11.07 |
| Durable goods | 484.34 | 485.20 | 472.76 | 42.3 | 41.9 | 42.9 | 11.45 | 11.58 | 11.02 |
| Nondurable goods | 460.08 | 460.37 | 445.68 | 41.3 | 41.7 | 39.9 | 11.14 | 11.04 | 11.17 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 41.7%*

*Total Production Workers: 11,742*

*Firms Reporting: 36*

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

### Table 5A. U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

| | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1982-84=100** | | | | |
| **All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)** | | | | |
| September Index | 145.1 | 141.3 | 137.2 | 132.7 |
| Change From Previous September | 2.7% | 3.0% | 3.4% | 6.2% |
| **Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)** | | | | |
| September Index | 142.6 | 139.1 | 135.2 | 131.1 |
| Change From Previous September | 2.5% | 2.9% | 3.1% | 6.1% |
| **1967=100** | | | | |
| **All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)** | | | | |
| September Index | 434.7 | 423.2 | 411.1 | 397.5 |
| Change From Previous September | 2.7% | 2.9% | 3.4% | 6.1% |
| **Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)** | | | | |
| September Index | 424.9 | 414.5 | 402.8 | 390.5 |
| Change From Previous September | 2.5% | 2.9% | 3.1% | 6.0% |

*Note: The CPI data on these tables is unadjusted for seasonal fluctuations.*
*Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics*

### Table 5B. CPI INDEXES BY CATEGORY
(1982-84=100, except where otherwise noted)

| | CPI-U | Change from: | | CPI-W |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Categories | September Index | September 1992 | August 1993 | September Index |
| All Items | 145.1 | 2.7% | 0.2% | 142.6 |
| All Items (1967=100) | 434.7 | - | - | 424.9 |
| Food and Beverages | 141.8 | 1.8% | 0.2% | 141.5 |
| Housing | 142.3 | 2.8% | 0.0% | 139.7 |
| Apparel and Upkeep | 134.6 | 1.0% | 2.0% | 133.3 |
| Transportation | 130.1 | 2.6% | -0.1% | 129.2 |
| Medical Care | 203.3 | 5.7% | 0.2% | 202.8 |
| Entertainment | 146.6 | 2.4% | 0.5% | 144.8 |
| Other Goods and Services | 193.1 | 3.3% | -0.2% | 190.9 |
| *Current purchasing power of a consumer dollar (1982–84=$1.00)* | $0.689 | -2.7% | -0.1% | $0.701 |

# NEW HAMPSHIRE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SECURITY OFFICE LABOR SUPPLY AND DEMAND, AND UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACTIVITY

Table 6. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY OCCUPATION AND BY LOCAL OFFICE, SEPTEMBER 1993

| Local Office | Professional, Technical, & Managerial | Clerical and Sales | Services | Agricultural Fishery & Forestry | Pro-cessing | Machine Trades | Bench-work | Struc-tural Work | Freight & Trans-portation | Packaging & Material Handling | Miscel-laneous | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 60 | 132 | 113 | 11 | 6 | 26 | 27 | 93 | 23 | 17 | 5 | 513 |
| Claremont | 91 | 134 | 81 | 8 | 8 | 75 | 34 | 72 | 27 | 38 | 2 | 570 |
| Concord | 437 | 477 | 204 | 21 | 14 | 132 | 92 | 246 | 65 | 92 | 17 | 1,797 |
| Conway | 54 | 64 | 50 | 10 | 1 | 11 | 4 | 39 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 248 |
| Dover | 532 | 616 | 312 | 46 | 31 | 244 | 327 | 369 | 118 | 74 | 17 | 2,686 |
| Keene | 346 | 331 | 164 | 9 | 16 | 143 | 99 | 161 | 52 | 71 | 7 | 1,399 |
| Laconia | 302 | 326 | 253 | 28 | 36 | 198 | 78 | 206 | 59 | 37 | 19 | 1,542 |
| Lebanon | 146 | 122 | 72 | 4 | 5 | 35 | 17 | 70 | 26 | 28 | 2 | 527 |
| Littleton | 99 | 161 | 126 | 8 | 7 | 47 | 16 | 95 | 22 | 28 | 6 | 615 |
| Manchester | 563 | 899 | 459 | 36 | 47 | 209 | 232 | 461 | 121 | 169 | 35 | 3,231 |
| Nashua | 633 | 383 | 135 | 11 | 31 | 122 | 149 | 144 | 53 | 90 | 12 | 1,763 |
| Portsmouth | 636 | 465 | 230 | 19 | 32 | 104 | 59 | 249 | 80 | 89 | 25 | 1,988 |
| Salem | 298 | 228 | 66 | 6 | 4 | 50 | 65 | 68 | 35 | 21 | 5 | 846 |
| Total all offices | 4,197 | 4,338 | 2,265 | 217 | 238 | 1,396 | 1,199 | 2,273 | 689 | 757 | 156 | 17,725 |

*Source of active applicant tables: SESA Automated Management System (SAMS) - Table A96*

## Active Applicants on File -

### Active Applicants Fall

*Active applicants on file at month's end fell*, statewide, over the month (see *Tables 6 and 7*). *All* local offices had *fewer* applicants on file at the end of September than at the end of August. Compared to a year ago, active applicants on file were also *down*. Just two local offices had more over the year.

Looking at active applicants on file by occupational code (*Table 8*) *all* eleven groups showed *decreases* from August. The largest *decreases* were in *Clerical and Sales* and *Structural Work* occupations. From last September, *all* of the groups showed *declines*. The greatest *decrease* was in active applicants with occupational codes in *Structural Work*, followed by those with codes in *Clerical and Sales* occupations.

Table 7. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 513 | 685 | 592 | -172 | -25.1% | -79 | -13.3% |
| Claremont | 570 | 831 | 715 | -261 | -31.4% | -145 | -20.3% |
| Concord | 1,797 | 2,489 | 2,201 | -692 | -27.8% | -404 | -18.4% |
| Conway | 248 | 472 | 326 | -224 | -47.5% | -78 | -23.9% |
| Dover | 2,686 | 3,211 | 3,026 | -525 | -16.4% | -340 | -11.2% |
| Keene | 1,399 | 1,990 | 1,498 | -591 | -29.7% | -99 | -6.6% |
| Laconia | 1,542 | 1,859 | 1,852 | -317 | -17.1% | -310 | -16.7% |
| Lebanon | 527 | 704 | 649 | -177 | -25.1% | -122 | -18.8% |
| Littleton | 615 | 753 | 597 | -138 | -18.3% | 18 | 3.0% |
| Manchester | 3,231 | 4,026 | 4,514 | -795 | -19.7% | -1,283 | -28.4% |
| Nashua | 1,763 | 2,383 | 2,305 | -620 | -26.0% | -542 | -23.5% |
| Portsmouth | 1,988 | 2,566 | 1,960 | -578 | -22.5% | 28 | 1.4% |
| Salem | 846 | 1,354 | 1,241 | -508 | -37.5% | -395 | -31.8% |
| Total all offices | 17,725 | 23,323 | 21,476 | -5,598 | -24.0% | -3,751 | -17.5% |

Table 8. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY OCCUPATION COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Occupational Group | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Professional, Technical, and Managerial | 4,197 | 5,024 | 4,532 | -827 | -16.5% | -335 | -7.4% |
| Clerical and Sales | 4,338 | 5,725 | 5,209 | -1,387 | -24.2% | -871 | -16.7% |
| Services | 2,265 | 3,088 | 2,591 | -823 | -26.7% | -326 | -12.6% |
| Agricultural, Fishery, and Forestry | 217 | 351 | 242 | -134 | -38.2% | -25 | -10.3% |
| Processing | 238 | 338 | 326 | -100 | -29.6% | -88 | -27.0% |
| Machine Trades | 1,396 | 1,830 | 1,827 | -434 | -23.7% | -431 | -23.6% |
| Benchwork | 1,199 | 1,520 | 1,537 | -321 | -21.1% | -338 | -22.0% |
| Structural Work | 2,273 | 3,199 | 3,188 | -926 | -28.9% | -915 | -28.7% |
| Motor Freight and Transportation | 689 | 1,046 | 893 | -357 | -34.1% | -204 | -22.8% |
| Packaging and Material Handling | 757 | 1,018 | 958 | -261 | -25.6% | -201 | -21.0% |
| Miscellaneous | 156 | 184 | 173 | -28 | -15.2% | -17 | -9.8% |
| Total | 17,725 | 23,323 | 21,476 | -5,598 | -24.0% | -3,751 | -17.5% |

### Table 9. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 1993 BY OCCUPATION AND LOCAL OFFICE

| Local Office | Professional, Technical, & Managerial | Clerical and Sales | Services | Agricultural Fishery & Forestry | Processing | Machine Trades | Benchwork | Structural Work | Freight & Transportation | Packaging & Material Handling | Miscellanous | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 1 | 8 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 122 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 153 |
| Claremont | 0 | 18 | 17 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 79 |
| Concord | 6 | 81 | 36 | 0 | 2 | 44 | 13 | 60 | 18 | 29 | 29 | 318 |
| Conway | 4 | 24 | 20 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 57 |
| Dover | 30 | 39 | 30 | 10 | 2 | 21 | 93 | 46 | 7 | 16 | 0 | 294 |
| Keene | 14 | 34 | 34 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 37 | 35 | 9 | 82 | 0 | 270 |
| Laconia | 16 | 64 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 27 | 20 | 4 | 19 | 1 | 199 |
| Lebanon | 1 | 20 | 57 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 122 |
| Littleton | 8 | 14 | 19 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 93 |
| Manchester | 23 | 139 | 49 | 1 | 18 | 14 | 80 | 49 | 40 | 41 | 4 | 458 |
| Nashua | 23 | 166 | 41 | 4 | 7 | 21 | 26 | 0 | 14 | 9 | 0 | 311 |
| Portsmouth | 12 | 118 | 38 | 5 | 4 | 12 | 13 | 43 | 17 | 25 | 0 | 287 |
| Salem | 6 | 34 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 86 |
| All Others | 32 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| Total all offices | 176 | 761 | 422 | 39 | 57 | 161 | 316 | 423 | 128 | 256 | 38 | 2,777 |

*Source of job openings tables: SESA Automated Management System (SAMS) - Table A07*

### Table 10. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 153 | 68 | 52 | 85 | 125.0% | 101 | 194.2% |
| Claremont | 79 | 111 | 82 | -32 | -28.8% | -3 | -3.7% |
| Concord | 318 | 218 | 234 | 100 | 45.9% | 84 | 35.9% |
| Conway | 57 | 57 | 19 | 0 | 0.0% | 38 | 200.0% |
| Dover | 294 | 289 | 305 | 5 | 1.7% | -11 | -3.6% |
| Keene | 270 | 185 | 232 | 85 | 45.9% | 38 | 16.4% |
| Laconia | 199 | 280 | 166 | -81 | -28.9% | 33 | 19.9% |
| Lebanon | 122 | 92 | 70 | 30 | 32.6% | 52 | 74.3% |
| Littleton | 93 | 129 | 71 | -36 | -27.9% | 22 | 31.0% |
| Manchester | 458 | 375 | 344 | 83 | 22.1% | 114 | 33.1% |
| Nashua | 311 | 337 | 207 | -26 | -7.7% | 104 | 50.2% |
| Portsmouth | 287 | 314 | 236 | -27 | -8.6% | 51 | 21.6% |
| Salem | 86 | 113 | 223 | -27 | -23.9% | -137 | -61.4% |
| Other | 50 | 18 | 56 | 32 | 177.8% | -6 | -10.7% |
| Total all offices | 2,777 | 2,586 | 2,297 | 191 | 7.4% | 480 | 20.9% |

## Job Openings Received -

### Job Openings Up Slightly

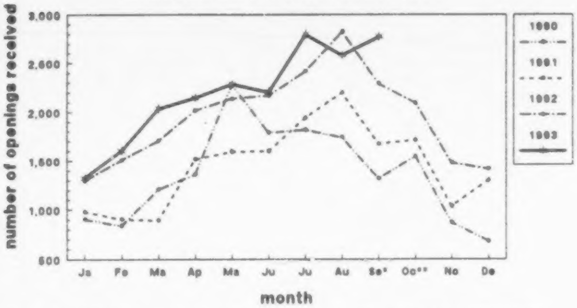
September saw a *rebound* in *job openings received* during the month after last month's decline (see *Tables 9-11, Figure 1*). Over the year they were up more than 20 percent.

Compared to August, *six* of the thirteen local offices and the administrative office received *more* job openings. Comparing September 1993 to September 1992, only three local offices showed *losses*.

### Table 11. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY OCCUPATION COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

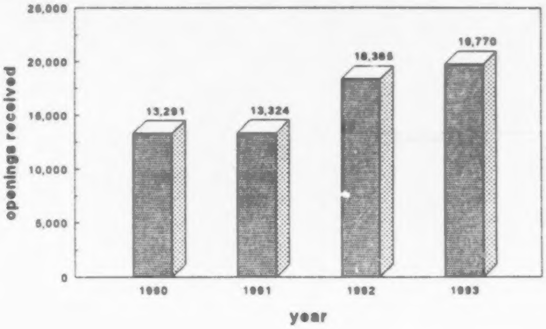
| Occupational Group | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Professional, Technical, and Managerial | 176 | 158 | 221 | 18 | 11.4% | -45 | -20.4% |
| Clerical and Sales | 761 | 676 | 789 | 85 | 12.6% | -28 | -3.5% |
| Services | 422 | 538 | 335 | -116 | -21.6% | 87 | 26.0% |
| Agricultural, Fishery, and Forestry | 39 | 38 | 45 | 1 | 2.6% | -6 | -13.3% |
| Processing | 57 | 31 | 34 | 26 | 83.9% | 23 | 67.6% |
| Machine Trades | 161 | 212 | 157 | -51 | -24.1% | 4 | 2.5% |
| Benchwork | 316 | 288 | 125 | 28 | 9.7% | 191 | 152.8% |
| Structural Work | 423 | 328 | 364 | 95 | 29.0% | 59 | 16.2% |
| Motor Freight and Transportation | 128 | 126 | 87 | 2 | 1.6% | 41 | 47.1% |
| Packaging and Material Handling | 256 | 180 | 134 | 76 | 42.2% | 122 | 91.0% |
| Miscellaneous | 38 | 11 | 6 | 27 | 245.5% | 32 | 533.3% |
| Total | 2,777 | 2,586 | 2,297 | 191 | 7.4% | 480 | 20.9% |

Figure 1. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED EACH MONTH: 1990-1993



*September 1990 data reconstructed after computer error - differs from data published in the November 90 issue of "Economic Conditions".
**October 1990 data derived from reconstructed September data.

Figure 2. CUMULATIVE TOTAL JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED THRU SEPTEMBER FOR THE YEARS 1990-1993



## Cumulative Job Openings Received Exceeds 1987 Total

The cumulative total of job openings received through September; 19,770 (see *Figure 2*); was *larger* than any January to September total since before 1987.

Looking at job openings received in September, by *occupational group* (*Table 11*), all but two of eleven groups had over-the-month *increases*. Compared to *September 1992*, all but three of the eleven occupational groups had *increased* openings received. Openings in *Benchwork* and in *Packaging and Material Handling* occupations had large over-the-year additions.

## Unemployment Compensation Claims Activity -

### Initial Claims Drop

Initial claims activity *decreased* by 11.7% over the month (see *Figure 3*, *Table 12*). The cumulative total of initial claims for the calendar year, through September (see *Figure 4*), was the *lowest* since 1988 when 26,410 new claims were initiated, statewide, during the first nine months of the year.

Nine of the fourteen claims-taking offices (thirteen local offices plus the liable state office) reported *decreases* in initial claims filed during the month. The Manchester local office had the largest *decline* while the Lebanon local office, which usually has a relatively light claims load, countered the statewide trend with a *large increase*.

### Fewer Initial Claims than a Year Ago

Initial claims filed statewide, compared to a year ago, were *down* by 8.6 percent. Five of the fourteen claims taking offices saw *increases* in initial claims activity from September a year ago, but initial claims in the Lebanon local office nearly *tripled*.

Figure 3. INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS FILED EACH MONTH, ALL PROGRAMS: 1990-1993

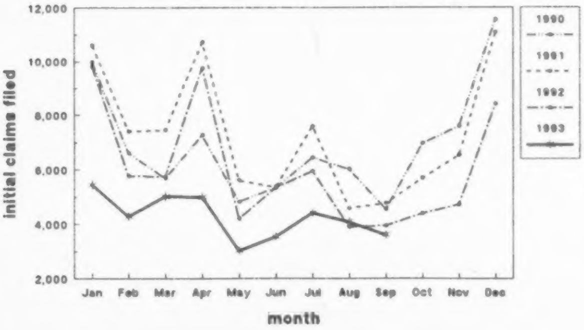
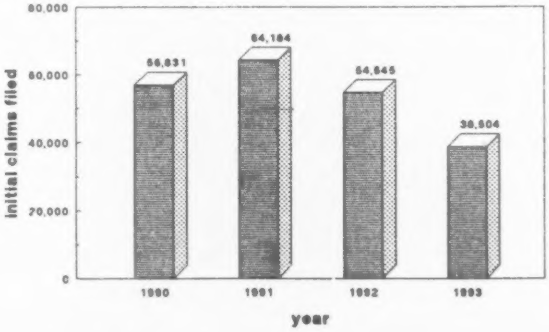


Figure 4. CUMULATIVE TOTAL INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS FILED THRU SEPTEMBER, LAST FOUR YEARS



## Again UC Continued Claims Rise as EUC Claims Abate

The number of *continued weeks of unemployment compensation claimed* again *climbed* in September (see *Figure 5*) increasing from 24,400 in August to 26,836 (see *Table 13*). However, total continued weeks claimed kept falling as just 6,282 continued weeks of unemployment compensation were claimed under the *Emergency Unemployment Compensation Assistance* (EUC) program (see *Figure 7*) during the month of September. This was a *drop* of 56.5 percent over August activity. *Final payments* were made in September to 440 claimants who *exhausted* their benefits under EUC.

Nine of the fourteen claimstaking offices had *more* continued weeks claimed in September than in August. The Concord local office saw the largest *increase*.

## Continued Weeks Claimed Nearly 24% Below Year-Ago Tally

The September continued weeks claimed total (*Table 13*) was 23.8 percent *smaller* compared to a year ago. With EUC continued claims added in (*Figure 7*) September's total was 22.7% *smaller* than that of last September.

## All Offices See Continued Claims Drop from Last September

*All* of the claims processing offices had *fewer* continued weeks claimed compared to September 1992. The Manchester local office had the *largest drop* followed by the Dover local office.

Cumulative continued weeks claimed (see *Figure 6*) for the calendar year to date were the *lowest* since *1989*.

Table 12. INITIAL CLAIMS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 156 | 154 | 110 | 2 | 1.3% | 46 | 41.8% |
| Claremont | 108 | 97 | 119 | 11 | 11.3% | -11 | -9.2% |
| Concord | 300 | 336 | 347 | -36 | -10.7% | -47 | -13.5% |
| Conway | 70 | 74 | 99 | -4 | -5.4% | -29 | -29.3% |
| Dover | 364 | 468 | 730 | -104 | -22.2% | -366 | -50.1% |
| Keene | 129 | 244 | 159 | -115 | -47.1% | -30 | -18.9% |
| Laconia | 251 | 227 | 314 | 24 | 10.6% | -63 | -20.1% |
| Lebanon | 384 | 233 | 97 | 151 | 64.8% | 287 | 295.9% |
| Littleton | 76 | 74 | 132 | 2 | 2.7% | -56 | -42.4% |
| Manchester | 679 | 891 | 699 | -212 | -23.8% | -20 | -2.9% |
| Nashua | 453 | 534 | 402 | -81 | -15.2% | 51 | 12.7% |
| Portsmouth | 244 | 314 | 379 | -70 | -22.3% | -135 | -35.6% |
| Salem | 191 | 230 | 178 | -39 | -17.0% | 13 | 7.3% |
| Liable State | 210 | 218 | 189 | -8 | -3.7% | 21 | 11.1% |
| Total all offices | 3,615 | 4,094 | 3,954 | -479 | -11.7% | -339 | -8.6% |

Table 13. CONTINUED WEEKS OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMED BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 689 | 608 | 818 | 81 | 13.3% | -129 | -15.8% |
| Claremont | 625 | 517 | 1,045 | 108 | 20.9% | -420 | -40.2% |
| Concord | 2,334 | 1,662 | 3,594 | 672 | 40.4% | -1,260 | -35.1% |
| Conway | 533 | 388 | 618 | 145 | 37.4% | -85 | -13.8% |
| Dover | 3,160 | 3,437 | 4,783 | -277 | -8.1% | -1,623 | -33.9% |
| Keene | 1,623 | 1,307 | 2,071 | 316 | 24.2% | -448 | -21.6% |
| Laconia | 1,901 | 1,583 | 2,512 | 318 | 20.1% | -611 | -24.3% |
| Lebanon | 986 | 660 | 988 | 326 | 49.4% | -2 | -0.2% |
| Littleton | 532 | 533 | 811 | -1 | -0.2% | -279 | -34.4% |
| Manchester | 4,809 | 4,841 | 6,639 | -32 | -0.7% | -1,830 | -27.6% |
| Nashua | 3,935 | 3,420 | 4,558 | 515 | 15.1% | -623 | -13.7% |
| Portsmouth | 1,580 | 1,787 | 2,296 | -207 | -11.6% | -716 | -31.2% |
| Salem | 1,891 | 1,895 | 2,093 | -4 | -0.2% | -202 | -9.7% |
| Liable State | 2,238 | 1,762 | 2,384 | 476 | 27.0% | -146 | -6.1% |
| Total all offices | 26,836 | 24,400 | 35,210 | 2,436 | 10.0% | -8,374 | -23.8% |

*Source of unemployment compensation claims data: New Hampshire Employment Security, "Weekly Report of Claims"*

*Note: Initial claims are not claims paid and continued weeks claimed do not necessarily represent claims paid. Claimants are not eligible for an unemployment compensation payment until they initiate a claim series with an "initial claim" and then file a "continued claim" after a period of unemployment.*

## Balance Slips as EUC Exhaustees Tap into Fund

*Net benefits paid during the month rose* by 25.1 percent from August largely due to EUC claims exhaustees signing on to the UI roles. They were still *down* 25.8 percent from September 1992 (see *Table 14*). The *average payment for a week of total unemployment increased* by 3.1 percent from August to September and was *up* by 1.7 percent from September 1992. The *unemployment compensation fund balance slipped* by 2.1 percent from August to September (see *Figure 8*) as the EUC exhaustees began to tap into the fund. The balance was *up* from a year ago by 26.3 percent.

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**Figure 5. CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED, ALL PROGRAMS DURING EACH MONTH: 1990-1993**

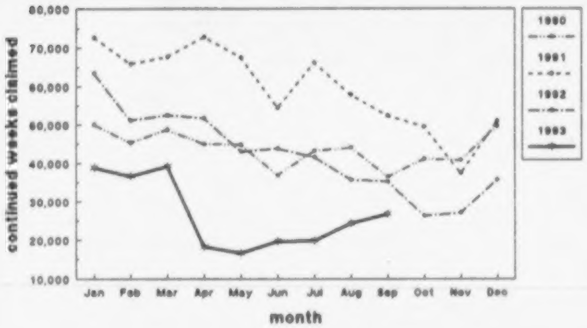


**Figure 6. CONTINUED WEEKS U.C. CLAIMED, ALL PROGRAMS, CUMULATIVE THRU SEPTEMBER, 1990-1993**

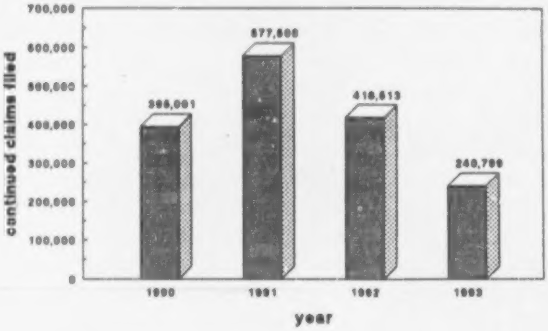


Table 14. SEPTEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT FUND INFORMATION

| Fund Data | September 1993 | August 1993 | September 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Average payment for a week of total unemployment | $146.37 | $141.92 | $143.91 | $4.45 | 3.1% | $2.46 | 1.7% |
| Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of the month | $162,888,354.56 | $166,357,405.67 | $128,924,512.76 | -$3,469,051.11 | -2.1% | $33,963,841.80 | 26.3% |
| Net benefits paid during the month | $3,668,907.40 | $2,932,769.56 | $4,946,780.75 | $736,137.84 | 25.1% | -$1,277,873.35 | -25.8% |

- *Net contributions received during the month: $199,856.29*
- *Interest Received: $0.00*

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security, Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

**Figure 7. WEEKS CLAIMED REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (UI) AND EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (EUC) PROGRAMS**

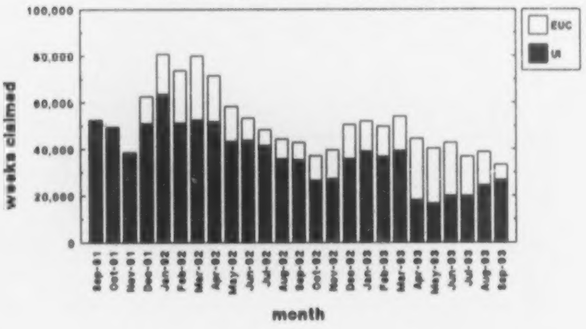
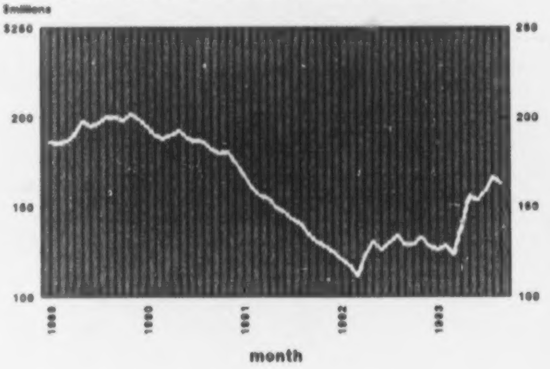


**Figure 8. TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END**



# Program Profile:

The "Research Unit" puts labor market information into forms that the public can use.

## Labor Market Information Research Unit (LMIRU)

The Labor Market Information Research Unit (LMIRU) was established in 1987 to fill a need for additional labor market information. It aims to reduce the burden of unemployment and underemployment by supporting job training programs and career planning and placement services in the state while focusing more on state and local needs.

The LMIRU, headed by Research Analyst Doris Lachance, produces most of the ELMI publications which report on the data collected by the bureau. These include:

> *Economic Conditions in New Hampshire* - a monthly newsletter summarizing economic developments in the state;
>
> *New Hampshire Affirmative Action . . .* - often requested by New Hampshire employers in order to establish their affirmative action plans;
>
> *Vital Signs: New Hampshire Economic and Social Indicators*; and
>
> Various reports by county, by labor market and metropolitan statistical area, and by city and town, which convey data by industry and by geographical area on the employment and wages of New Hampshire employers covered by unemployment compensation law (ES-202 data). This employment and wages data is part of a nationwide data base that can be used to chart the economic health of a labor market, state, or the national economy over time or to make region to region comparisons.

In addition, the LMIRU's desktop publishing and computer graphics capabilities are utilized in the preparation of other Bureau publications. The unit is also a vital resource for other state and local agencies and decision makers in efforts to attract new employers to the state. In this role, the LMIRU is often called upon to prepare special reports for and to make presentations to representatives of businesses considering locating or expanding in a New Hampshire city or town.

Every year the LMIRU conducts a comprehensive wage survey sampling thousands of New Hampshire employing units employing tens of thousands of workers. The collected wage information is compiled by occupation, industry, and labor market area in a *Wage Survey Report* which benefits a broad spectrum of users, including employers, job seekers, and employment market intermediaries. Cleaven Ferguson has finished the *1993 Wage Survey Report* which is now in the process of being printed. He has begun research for our next *Vital Signs* publication.

Charlie Hood, has completed *New Hampshire Affirmative Action 1992*, and is now turning his attention to a "Commuting Patterns" report. This will excerpt data about commuting from the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census to show where New Hampshire residents commute for employment and where the employees that work for New Hampshire employers commute from.

I have just recently completed a revision to our *User's Guide*, see "Hot off the Press" - page 16. Cleaven, Charlie, and I are in midst of a major change in the format of *Economic Conditions* which we expect to introduce early in 1994. We have incorporated many of our readers' suggestions in a clearer and more contemporary looking newsletter.

Recently, Doris has been involved in preparing the labor market information components for *New Hampshire WORKS*, New Hampshire Employment Security's new electronic bulletin board. A *New Hampshire WORKS* fact sheet is attached to this issue of *Economic Conditions.*

*Peter S. Bartlett*

# Verry Interresting . . . !

### New Hampshire Poverty Rate

Based on the U.S. Department of Commerce's poverty statistics, New Hampshire in 1992 had the lowest percentage of persons in poverty of the six New England States.

**Percent of Persons In Poverty:**

| | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Connecticut | 9.4% | 8.6% | 6.0% |
| Maine | 13.4% | 14.1% | 13.1% |
| Massachusetts | 10.0% | 11.0% | 10.7% |
| **New Hampshire** | **8.6%** | **7.3%** | **6.3%** |
| Rhode Island | 12.0% | 10.4% | 7.5% |
| Vermont | 10.4% | 12.6% | 10.9% |
| **Northeast census region** | **12.3%** | **12.2%** | **11.4%** |
| **United States** | **14.5%** | **14.2%** | **13.5%** |

*source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports,* ***Consumer Income; Series P60–185 and P60-184.***

### Health Insurance

According to data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau on persons covered by health insurance, in 1992 New Hampshire had the highest percentage of persons not covered by health insurance of the six New England States.

**Percent of Persons Covered by Health Insurance:**

| | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Connecticut | 8.1% | 7.5% | 6.9% |
| Maine | 11.1% | 11.1% | 11.2% |
| Massachusetts | 10.4% | 10.9% | 9.1% |
| **New Hampshire** | **12.6%** | **10.1%** | **9.9%** |
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*source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census*

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

# Hot off the Press -

*a User's Guide to Labor Market Information*: 26 pages; revised October 1993.

The catalog of our publications. In addition to listing our publications, it also describes the various New Hampshire Employment Security labor market information programs. The glossary defines labor market information terms, and the Locator helps you to find the piece of information that you are searching for. You will also find a map of New Hampshire's new labor market areas redefined in August 1993 based on new commuting patterns data from the 1990 United States Decennial Census. We will start reporting our various data series based on these new labor market areas beginning with January 1994 data.

*1988* and *1989 Local Area Unemployment Statistics Report (Benchmark #3* and *Benchmark #4*, respectively*)*: two 8 page photocopier reproduced tables; October 6, 1993.

These are the latest benchmarks of the civilian labor force estimates for 1988 and 1989 as recalculated in October 1993 using new population estimates. They are in the same format as the monthly LAUS photocopied table and they included all of the same items found in that report: the estimates of the state's total civilian labor force, the number employed and unemployed, and the unemployment rates for - New Hampshire, its counties, metropolitan statistical areas and labor market areas, cities, and selected towns - for each month of 1988 and 1989, the year end averages, and the unemployment rates for the New England Region and the five other states in the region. Since most users do not retain data this old, these tables was not mailed, routinely, to those on the mailing list for the monthly report. If you have a need for these reports to update your data base, do not hesitate to call or write.

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## NH WORKS is Coming To An Office Near You!

NH Works is an electronic bulletin board program designed by New Hampshire Employment Security (NHES) to provide labor market, employment, and social service information to New Hampshire employers and workers. The program is expected to be running in one or two test offices in December. The program is easy to use. Anyone with access to a PC, modem, and telephone can use the system by simply dialing a local telephone number in the area they live or work.

Initially the program will provide three different types of information: 1. An applicant file containing resumes entered by technical, managerial, and clerical professional workers. These applicants can enter their resumes directly into the file by using the screens provided in the program. Employers only, can review this file by using their State Unemployment Compensation tax number along with a self-assigned password. 2. A job bank file containing job openings throughout the State. Employers can enter their job orders directly into the program by using the screens provided in the bulletin board. Anyone looking for work can review this file and apply directly as the employer requests. Those applicants without access to a PC, can use PCs provided in local employment offices. 3. A number of different files will provide labor market information, such as wage data; occupational projections; employer profiles; the Unemployment rate; State workforce demographic information; national, state and community services; educational and training information and programs; and an analysis of the top 130 jobs with projected growth and work descriptions. There will also be information to help workers identify employers who customarily hire people with their job skills.

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## OCTOBER NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES
## [from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program]

### October's Unemployment Rate Back Up to 5.9 Percent

*The New Hampshire not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate* for *October increased to 5.9 percent*, 0.2 percentage points higher than *September's unchanged estimate of 5.7 percent*. The *current rate* is the *lowest October rate since October 1990 when it was 5.7 percent.* The *highest October rate, 7.1 percent* using comparable computation methodology, *occurred last year in 1992 and* ten years prior *in 1982*. The current *October rate, by marking 1.2 percentage points lower* than last year, *showed considerable improvement over-the-year.*

*The national not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for October was 6.3 percent*, a 0.1 percentage point change from *September's unrevised rate of 6.4 percent*. The national rate has been on a slow, steady decline the last three months, dipping 0.1 percentage points per month. *One year ago the national rate for October was 6.8 percent.* The string of consecutive months of *New Hampshire staying below the national unemployment rate* has gained attention by rate watchers. October's rates extend that *string to six months for both the not seasonally adjusted and the seasonally adjusted series.* (Please see *Figure a.*)

### State's Unadjusted Rate Up by 0.3 Percentage Points

The *New Hampshire seasonally adjusted unemployment rate* for October was *6.4 percent*, a gain of 0.3 percentage points. *The revised September seasonally adjusted rate was 6.1 percent. Looking back a year*, the *October rate* for the state was *7.4 percent*. The *national seasonally adjusted unemployment rate* for October 1993 *was up 0.1 percentage points to 6.8 percent* compared over-the-month with *September's 6.7 percent*. The *October 1992 national rate was 7.4 percent*, attesting to an over-the-year *improvement of 0.6 percentage points.* (Please see *Table 1.1* and *Figure b.*)

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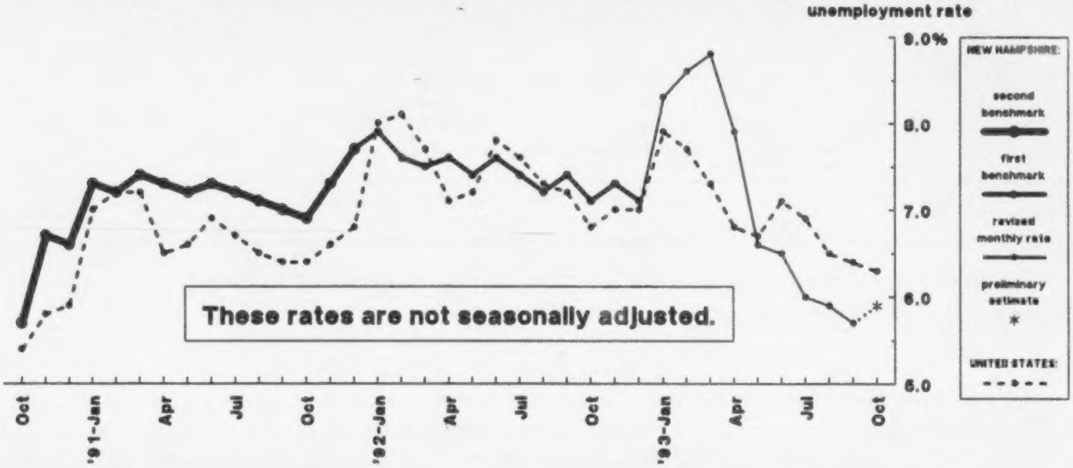
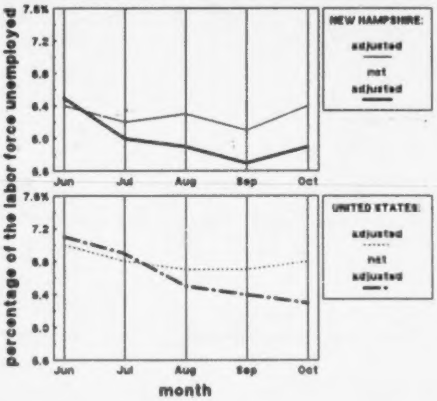


*Note: These rates, estimated using methodology adopted in October 1989 are not directly comparable to monthly rates published prior to that time. It is important to note the difference between* ***seasonally adjusted*** *and* ***not seasonally adjusted*** *estimates. Both are included in this publication. Seasonal adjustment adds an extra layer of estimating with potential for distorting the base estimates, but it enables cross-month comparisons. With not seasonally adjusted estimates, over-the-month comparisons are affected by seasonal changes and thus could present misleading representation of underlying trends. To eliminate this bias, it is necessary to compare a not-seasonally-adjusted number with that of the same month in other years.*

Table 1.1. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Jun-93 | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.4% | 6.2% | 6.3% | 6.1% | 6.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 634,970 | 630,660 | 642,290 | 648,540 | 649,730 |
| Number Employed | 594,070 | 591,650 | 601,650 | 609,280 | 608,340 |
| Number Unemployed | 40,900 | 39,010 | 40,640 | 39,260 | 41,390 |
| **UNITED STATES** | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 7.0% | 6.8% | 6.7% | 6.7% | 6.8% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,127 | 128,070 | 128,370 | 127,975 | 128,714 |
| Number Employed | 119,219 | 119,301 | 119,710 | 119,457 | 119,928 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,908 | 8,769 | 8,661 | 8,517 | 8,786 |

**Figure b. NEW HAMPSHIRE AND UNITED STATES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES - LAST FIVE MONTHS NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED vs SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**



**Labor Force Increases During October**

*The estimated labor force for New Hampshire increased 4,060* in October to a *total of 646,680. September's estimated labor force was revised to 642,620.* An *over-the-year comparison* with the *October 1992 level of 636,960* registered an *increase of 9,720.*

**Employment Levels for October Gain Slightly**

The *New Hampshire residence-based employment* estimate for *October totaled 608,840,* a *gain of 2,720* over- the-month. The increase in the October employment level may have been impacted by parents returning to the labor force after school sessions began, with a number finding employment. The *September employment estimate was revised to 606,120. Over-the-year employment increased 16,860* from the *October 1992 level of 591,980.*

**October's Unemployed Level Increases**

The *October estimated unemployment level for New Hampshire increased 1,340* to a *total of 37,840.* The *revised unemployed level for September was 36,500. Year-to-year comparisons with 1992 unemployment levels* continued to look favorable as *October 1993 results netted 7,140 less* than one year ago.

## OCTOBER NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES
**[from the Current Employment Survey (CES or BLS 790) program]**

### Over-the-Month:

**Nonagricultural Employment Increases 0.8 Percent**

*New Hampshire's nonagricultural wage and salary employment* for October *increased by 4,100 jobs to a total of 504,000.* This resulted in a *0.8 percent gain* over-the-month. The *nonfarm employment figure for September remained unchanged at 499,900.* October's total established a new peak for the first ten months of 1993. The *current nonfarm employment amount* is the *largest for an October since 1990*, when the *employment level was 506,700.*

*Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment* for October was *estimated to be 496,200. September's seasonally adjusted estimate* for nonfarm employment *remained at 491,500.* (Please see *Table 2.1* and *Figure c.*)

**Construction Employment Declines Over the Month**

*New Hampshire's construction employment, not seasonally adjusted, declined to 18,700* in October, a *dip of 200 jobs.* September-to-October construction employment recorded decreases from 1986 through 1991, only reverting to a slight increase of 200 last year. The *revised construction employment* estimate for *September 1993 was 18,900.*

Table 2.1. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

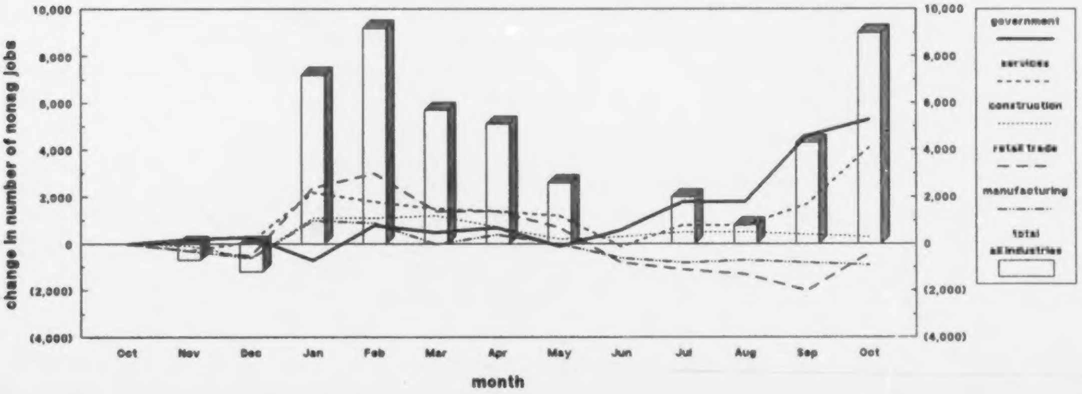
| Industry | Jun-93 | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 487,200 | 489,200 | 488,000 | 491,500 | 496,200 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 16,700 | 16,900 | 16,900 | 16,800 | 16,700 |
| manufacturing | 96,600 | 96,400 | 96,500 | 96,400 | 96,300 |
| durable goods | 65,400 | 65,400 | 65,100 | 64,900 | 64,700 |
| nondurable goods | 31,200 | 31,000 | 31,400 | 31,500 | 31,600 |
| transportatn, communicatns, public utilities | 17,000 | 16,700 | 16,400 | 17,000 | 17,100 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 123,900 | 123,800 | 123,000 | 122,500 | 124,000 |
| wholesale trade | 22,100 | 22,300 | 21,700 | 21,900 | 21,800 |
| retail trade | 101,800 | 101,500 | 101,300 | 100,600 | 102,200 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,000 | 29,300 | 29,100 | 29,000 | 29,200 |
| services | 131,000 | 131,900 | 131,900 | 132,800 | 135,200 |
| government | 72,500 | 73,700 | 73,700 | 76,500 | 77,200 |

* Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.

**October's Manufacturing Employment Up Slightly**

*New Hampshire manufacturing employment increased 200 jobs* for an October *total of*

Figure c. CHANGE OVER THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT, ALL INDUSTRIES AND SELECTED INDUSTRY GROUPS



*97,300. Nondurable goods and durable goods contributed equally* to the October increase. Many manufacturing sectors showed limited or no change over-the-month. *September's manufacturing employment remained unchanged at 97,100.*

### Trade Employment Gains in October

*October's trade employment increased to 125,500, a gain of 500 jobs* over-the-month. *Retail trade* provided the *net gain by increasing 700 positions*, while *wholesale trade dipped 200 jobs. Miscellaneous retail, general merchandise, apparel and accessories, and automotive dealers combined* to provide the *retail gain*. Employment for *eating and drinking establishments declined*, a typical occurrence at the end of the summer and fall foliage tourist seasons. *September's trade employment* level was *revised to 125,000.*

### Services Employment Makes Slight Gain

*Services employment netted 800 jobs* to attain an *estimated total of 136,300* in October. *Educational services* supplied a *substantial number of new jobs*, bolstered by a *small increase in health services employment. Amusements, including movies, and hotels and other lodging* combined to *pace services losses*. The *services employment* estimate for *September was revised to 135,500.*

### Government Jobs Increase 3.7 Percent

*New Hampshire combined government employment increased* during October *to 79,200*. After the combined total for *September was revised to 76,400, October's change* represented a *gain of 2,800 jobs*, or a *3.7 percent increase* for the month. *Federal government employment remained unchanged*, while additional hiring in education helped to supply *1,700 local government jobs*. Education was also the significant factor in *state government employment gaining 1,100 positions.*

### Other Monthly Changes

The *finance, insurance, and real estate sector's employment level was 29,100*, indicating no change over-the-month; *transportation, communication, and public utilities employment* also did not change, remaining at a *total of 17,400.*

## Over-the-Year Changes:

### Nonagricultural Jobs Increase Over the Year

The *nonagricultural wage and salary employment* for the state sustained a *9,500 job gain* for a *total of 504,000*. This *1.9 percent increase* represented the *largest October-to-October gain since 1988*, and only the second over-the-year increase to occur in the last five years. The *revised nonfarm estimate for October 1992 was 494,500.*

The *service producing sector* was the *predominant contributor* to the year-to- year *total increase in nonfarm employment*, with a *gain of 9,900 jobs*. Once again the *services group and government*, paced by *educational services and local education*, respectively, *led the gains within service producing. The goods producing sector experienced slight declines.*

### Manufacturing Employment Declines

*Manufacturing employment in New Hampshire decreased 700 jobs* October-to-October, *leveling at 97,300* for October 1993. The employment level for *October 1992 was 98,000*. This latest loss was the *fifth consecutive declining October-to-October for manufacturing employment*. The percentage of job losses the last two years, however, have not approached the magnitude that prevailed during the recession years. The *major contributor* to the current *manufacturing employment level* was the *durable goods sector* with a significant *year-to-year decline*.

When *October's durable goods employment of 65,400* was compared with *67,100 for October 1992*, the result was an over-the-year *decrease of 1,700 jobs. Industrial/commercial machinery and computer equipment* was the *major contributor* to the current decline with *1,500 job losses*. On the other side of the ledger *electronic equipment experienced moderate gains.*

*October-to-October employment* in the *nondurable goods sector gained 1,000 jobs*, as *rubber/miscellaneous plastic products, textile mill products, and apparel and other textiles contributed to the increase. Paper and allied products* again led declines with *400 job losses.*

## Table 1. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE FOR THE UNITED STATES AND NEW HAMPSHIRE AND ITS SUB STATE AREAS

| | UNEMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE: | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | October 1993 | | September 1993 | | October 1992 | | Numerical Change from Previous: | | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Numerical Change from Previous: | |
| | Number | Rate | Number | Rate | Number | Rate | Month | Year | | | | Month | Year |
| **United States** *(thousands)* | 8,101 | 6.3% | 8,128 | 6.4% | 8,600 | 6.8% | -27 | -499 | 128,547 | 127,858 | 126,846 | 689 | 1,701 |
| **New Hampshire** *[based on the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics' ;43 step handbook methode adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.]* | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **State Total** | 37,840 | 5.9% | 36,500 | 5.7% | 44,980 | 7.1% | 1,340 | -7,140 | 646,680 | 642,620 | 636,960 | 4,060 | 9,720 |
| **Labor Market Areas:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Berlin LMA** | 1,860 | 6.3% | 1,180 | 4.2% | 1,700 | 5.9% | 680 | 160 | 29,250 | 28,470 | 28,860 | 780 | 390 |
| **Claremont LMA** | 1,560 | 3.2% | 2,310 | 4.8% | 2,040 | 4.3% | -750 | -480 | 48,240 | 47,830 | 47,560 | 410 | 680 |
| **Concord LMA** | 2,590 | 4.4% | 2,560 | 4.4% | 3,490 | 6.0% | 30 | -900 | 59,260 | 58,710 | 57,910 | 550 | 1,350 |
| **Keene LMA** | 1,710 | 3.7% | 1,700 | 3.7% | 2,410 | 5.2% | 10 | -700 | 46,440 | 45,570 | 46,380 | 870 | 60 |
| **Laconia LMA** | 3,300 | 5.7% | 2,710 | 4.7% | 3,710 | 6.5% | 590 | -410 | 57,490 | 57,100 | 56,810 | 390 | 680 |
| **Littleton LMA** | 1,040 | 5.0% | 700 | 3.4% | 1,270 | 6.2% | 340 | -230 | 20,860 | 20,800 | 20,600 | 60 | 260 |
| **Manchester MSA** | 4,680 | 5.5% | 4,820 | 5.6% | 6,120 | 7.2% | -140 | -1,440 | 85,430 | 85,350 | 85,430 | 80 | 0 |
| **Nashua PMSA** | 7,410 | 7.2% | 7,660 | 7.5% | 8,340 | 8.4% | -250 | -930 | 102,750 | 101,930 | 99,540 | 820 | 3,210 |
| **Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH PMSA, *NH portion**** | 5,860 | 10.2% | 5,720 | 9.9% | 6,310 | 10.9% | 140 | -450 | 57,660 | 57,530 | 57,670 | 130 | -10 |
| **Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH-ME MSA** | 6,000 | 4.2% | 5,330 | 3.8% | 7,130 | 5.1% | 670 | -1,130 | 142,140 | 142,200 | 138,450 | -60 | 3,690 |
| **Unattached Estimating Area** | 2,110 | 9.3% | 2,110 | 9.2% | 2,550 | 11.1% | 0 | -440 | 22,770 | 22,860 | 23,050 | -90 | -280 |
| **Pelham (*NH portion* Lowell MA-NH PMSA)** | 590 | 11.5% | 550 | 10.8% | 720 | 13.7% | 40 | -130 | 5,120 | 5,070 | 5,290 | 50 | -170 |
| **Counties:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Belknap** | 1,790 | 6.2% | 1,430 | 4.9% | 1,880 | 6.6% | 360 | -90 | 27,290 | 27,370 | 26,710 | -80 | 580 |
| **Carroll** | 1,000 | 4.7% | 830 | 3.9% | 1,090 | 5.2% | 170 | -90 | 20,280 | 20,270 | 20,010 | 10 | 270 |
| **Cheshire** | 1,550 | 3.7% | 1,570 | 3.8% | 2,160 | 5.2% | -20 | -610 | 40,010 | 39,240 | 39,330 | 770 | 680 |
| **Coos** | 1,740 | 7.7% | 1,020 | 4.6% | 1,560 | 7.0% | 720 | 180 | 20,950 | 20,950 | 20,700 | 0 | 250 |
| **Grafton** | 1,810 | 3.8% | 2,210 | 4.6% | 2,340 | 4.9% | -400 | -530 | 46,330 | 46,090 | 45,240 | 240 | 1,090 |
| **Hillsborough** | 12,270 | 6.5% | 12,640 | 6.7% | 14,840 | 8.0% | -370 | 310 | 176,600 | 175,320 | 171,330 | 1,280 | 5,270 |
| **Merrimack** | 3,100 | 4.5% | 3,030 | 4.4% | 4,420 | 6.4% | 70 | -1,320 | 66,450 | 65,940 | 64,220 | 510 | 2,230 |
| **Rockingham** | 10,230 | 7.5% | 9,840 | 7.2% | 11,390 | 8.5% | 390 | -1,160 | 126,600 | 126,790 | 123,340 | -190 | 3,260 |
| **Strafford** | 3,390 | 5.2% | 2,910 | 4.5% | 4,100 | 6.5% | 480 | -710 | 61,540 | 61,920 | 58,880 | -380 | 2,660 |
| **Sullivan** | 950 | 4.0% | 1,030 | 4.4% | 1,200 | 5.1% | -80 | -250 | 22,800 | 22,230 | 22,230 | 570 | 570 |

* *The New Hampshire portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA) is made up of 13 Rockingham County towns - the two largest towns - Derry and Salem, plus Atkinson, Brentwood, Danville, East Kingston, Hampstead, Kingston, Newton, Plaistow, Sandown, Seabrook, and Windham. The estimates for the* ***entire*** *PMSA, which can be obtained from the State of Massachusetts, are probably* ***more reliable*** *indicators of economic conditions in the area. This is likewise true for Town of Pelham estimates.*

### Trade Jobs Increase Over the Year

*New Hampshire's trade employment* for October was an *estimated 125,500, a 500 job gain* when compared with *October 1992 (125,000). Wholesale trade employment (21,800) increased 800 jobs* October-to-October; *retail employment (103,700) decreased 300 jobs* over- the-year. *Automotive dealers and miscellaneous retail* achieved *year-to-year gains. Food stores led declines* over the same period.

### Construction Employment Gains October to October

October's *construction employment in New Hampshire (18,700) gained 300 jobs*, a *1.6 percent increase*, compared with employment levels *(18,400) for October 1992*. The current increase caused consecutive *over-the-year gains for construction employment*, after suffering *large declines from 1989 to 1991.*

### Government Jobs Increase 7.3 Percent Over the Year

*New Hampshire's total government employment* for October *(79,200), increased 7.3 percent* over-the-year by *gaining 5,400 jobs*. Total government employment for *October 1992 was 73,800.* The bulk of the positions came from *state and local education*, causing *state government employment to gain 3,300* October-to-October, and *local government employment to expand 2,000 jobs. Federal government employment gained 100 jobs* over-the-year.

*Charles K. Hood*

## Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AS, OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program**<br>LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | October 1993 | **Number of Workers**<br>September 1993 | October 1992 | **Numerical Change** From Previous:<br>Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Civilian Labor Force | 646,680 | 642,620 | 636,960 | 4,060 | 9,720 |
| Unemployment | 37,840 | 36,500 | 44,980 | 1,340 | -7,140 |
| Percent of Labor Force | 5.9 | 5.7 | 7.1 | — | — |
| Employment Total | 608,840 | 606,120 | 591,980 | 2,720 | 16,860 |

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY *(by place of establishment, benchmarked on October 1992 data)* | October 1993 | **Number of Jobs**<br>September 1993 | October 1992 | **Numerical Change** From Previous:<br>Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT | 504,000 | 499,900 | 494,500 | 4,100 | 9,500 |
| Total Private | 424,800 | 423,500 | 420,700 | 1,300 | 4,100 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 116,500 | 116,500 | 116,900 | 0 | -400 |
| Mining | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| Construction | 18,700 | 18,900 | 18,400 | -200 | 300 |
| Manufacturing | 97,300 | 97,100 | 98,000 | 200 | -700 |
| Durable Goods* | 65,400 | 65,300 | 67,100 | 100 | -1,700 |
| Lumber and wood products | 3,900 | 3,900 | 4,100 | 0 | -200 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,900 | -100 | -100 |
| Primary metal products | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,800 | 0 | 200 |
| Fabricated metal products | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,200 | 0 | 200 |
| Industrial/commercial machinery, computer equipment | 19,300 | 19,300 | 20,800 | 0 | -1,500 |
| Electronic/electrical equipment/components except computer | 13,800 | 13,800 | 13,400 | 0 | 400 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments and related products | 11,100 | 11,100 | 11,800 | 0 | -700 |
| Nondurable Goods* | 31,900 | 31,800 | 30,900 | 100 | 1,000 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,400 | 0 | 300 |
| Apparel and other textiles | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,500 | -100 | -400 |
| Printing and publishing | 7,300 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 100 | 100 |
| Leather and leather products | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 8,700 | 8,600 | 7,900 | 100 | 800 |
| SERVICE PRODUCING | 387,500 | 383,400 | 377,600 | 4,100 | 9,900 |
| Private Service Producing | 308,300 | 307,000 | 303,800 | 1,300 | 4,500 |
| Transportation, communications, and utilities | 17,400 | 17,400 | 17,400 | 0 | 0 |
| Trade | 125,500 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 500 | 500 |
| Wholesale trade | 21,800 | 22,000 | 21,000 | -200 | 800 |
| Retail trade | 103,700 | 103,000 | 104,000 | 700 | -300 |
| Finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,100 | 29,100 | 29,300 | 0 | -200 |
| Services (except private households), agricultural services | 136,300 | 135,500 | 132,100 | 800 | 4,200 |
| Health services | 41,400 | 41,100 | 41,700 | 300 | -300 |
| Government | 79,200 | 76,400 | 73,800 | 2,800 | 5,400 |
| Federal | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 0 | 100 |
| State | 23,400 | 22,300 | 20,100 | 1,100 | 3,300 |
| Local | 48,100 | 46,400 | 46,100 | 1,700 | 2,000 |
| Persons involved in labor disputes<br>(not included in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment Total above) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

## Table 3. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES AS OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program** | **Manchester MSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES** | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Workers** | | | **Change From Previous:** | |
| ***(by place of residence)*** | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year |
| Civilian labor force | 85,430 | 85,350 | 85,430 | 80 | 0 | 102,750 | 101,930 | 99,540 | 820 | 3,210 | 142,140 | 142,200 | 138,450 | -60 | 3,690 |
| Unemployment | 4,680 | 4,820 | 6,120 | -140 | -1,440 | 7,410 | 7,660 | 8,340 | -250 | -930 | 6,000 | 5,330 | 7,130 | 670 | -1,130 |
| Percentage of labor force | 5.5 | 5.6 | 7.2 | — | — | 7.2 | 7.5 | 8.4 | — | — | 4.2 | 3.8 | 5.1 | — | — |
| Employment total | 80,750 | 80,530 | 79,310 | 220 | 1,440 | 95,340 | 94,270 | 91,200 | 1,070 | 4,140 | 136,140 | 136,870 | 131,320 | -730 | 4,820 |

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change From Previous:** | |
| ***(by place of establishment, benchmarked on October 1992 data)*** | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT | 76,500 | 76,400 | 76,500 | 100 | 0 | 86,100 | 85,100 | 84,100 | 1,000 | 2,000 | 109,700 | 110,100 | 107,000 | -400 | 2,700 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 13,100 | 13,100 | 12,800 | 0 | 300 | 30,500 | 30,500 | 30,900 | 0 | -400 | 22,000 | 22,200 | 22,600 | -200 | -600 |
| Construction and Mining | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,100 | -100 | 100 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 0 | -100 |
| Manufacturing | 9,900 | 9,800 | 9,700 | 100 | 200 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,400 | 0 | -400 | 19,100 | 19,300 | 19,600 | -200 | -500 |
| Durable Goods | 5,700 | 5,700 | 6,000 | 0 | -300 | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,600 | 0 | -600 | 11,400 | 11,600 | 12,000 | -200 | -600 |
| Machinery, electrical equip | 2,800 | 2,700 | 2,500 | 100 | 300 | 12,700 | 12,700 | 13,100 | 0 | -400 | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A |
| Nondurable Goods | 4,200 | 4,100 | 3,700 | 100 | 500 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,800 | 0 | 200 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 0 | 100 |
| SERVICE PRODUCING | 63,400 | 63,300 | 63,700 | 100 | -300 | 55,600 | 54,600 | 53,200 | 1,000 | 2,400 | 87,700 | 87,900 | 84,400 | -200 | 3,300 |
| Transportation and public util | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,200 | 0 | 300 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 2,800 | 0 | 700 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 0 | 100 |
| Trade | 18,500 | 18,700 | 19,000 | -200 | -500 | 20,400 | 20,500 | 20,400 | -100 | 0 | 29,200 | 29,400 | 27,900 | -200 | 1,300 |
| Wholesale trade | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,600 | -100 | -100 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,700 | 0 | 100 | 2,700 | 2,800 | 2,800 | -100 | -100 |
| Retail trade | 14,000 | 14,100 | 14,400 | -100 | -400 | 16,600 | 16,700 | 16,700 | -100 | -100 | 26,500 | 26,600 | 25,100 | -100 | 1,400 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate | 7,500 | 7,600 | 8,300 | -100 | -800 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 0 | 100 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 0 | 0 |
| Service industries and other | 24,000 | 23,800 | 23,400 | 200 | 600 | 20,700 | 19,900 | 19,300 | 800 | 1,400 | 23,000 | 23,800 | 22,800 | -800 | 200 |
| Government | 8,900 | 8,700 | 8,800 | 200 | 100 | 7,700 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 300 | 200 | 25,500 | 24,700 | 23,800 | 800 | 1,700 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 7,800 | -100 | -400 |
| State | 900 | 800 | 900 | 100 | 0 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 0 | 100 | 8,200 | 7,500 | 6,100 | 700 | 2,100 |
| Local | 5,500 | 5,400 | 5,400 | 100 | 100 | 6,300 | 6,000 | 6,200 | 300 | 100 | 9,900 | 9,700 | 9,900 | 200 | 0 |
| Persons involved in labor disputes (not included in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment above) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**Manchester MSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, and Hooksett.
**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.
**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** -- includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth; the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Durham, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, Ogunquit, South Berwick, Wells, and York.

N.A. *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

## Table 4. AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

(Establishment Survey estimates on this page are currently projected from October 1992 CES benchmark levels.)

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $488.22 | $491.63 | $486.45 | 41.8 | 42.2 | 42.3 | $11.68 | $11.65 | $11.50 |
| Durable goods | 501.83 | 505.41 | 499.05 | 42.1 | 42.4 | 42.8 | 11.92 | 11.92 | 11.66 |
| Lumber and wood products | 363.20 | 364.31 | 347.88 | 40.4 | 40.3 | 39.0 | 8.99 | 9.04 | 8.92 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 362.04 | 356.59 | 335.38 | 42.0 | 42.2 | 41.1 | 8.62 | 8.45 | 8.16 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 439.24 | 430.50 | 516.67 | 37.8 | 37.5 | 46.8 | 11.62 | 11.48 | 11.04 |
| Primary metal products | 515.35 | 528.80 | 530.43 | 43.6 | 44.4 | 43.3 | 11.82 | 11.91 | 12.25 |
| Fabricated metal products | 478.28 | 472.69 | 437.65 | 44.0 | 42.7 | 41.8 | 10.87 | 11.07 | 10.47 |
| Industrial/commercial machinery&computer equipment | 519.38 | 522.29 | 501.17 | 40.2 | 40.9 | 42.4 | 12.92 | 12.77 | 11.82 |
| Electronic/electrical equipment except computer | 509.39 | 512.96 | 515.42 | 45.4 | 45.8 | 47.2 | 11.22 | 11.20 | 10.92 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | 326.74 | 339.82 | 339.21 | 35.4 | 36.5 | 38.9 | 9.23 | 9.31 | 8.72 |
| Instruments and related products | 601.83 | 602.46 | 628.82 | 40.5 | 40.9 | 39.9 | 14.86 | 14.73 | 15.76 |
| Nondurable goods | 462.68 | 467.60 | 462.85 | 41.2 | 41.9 | 41.4 | 11.23 | 11.16 | 11.18 |
| Food and kindred products | 608.54 | 604.00 | 594.43 | 39.8 | 40.0 | 38.4 | 15.29 | 15.10 | 15.48 |
| Textile mill products | 405.82 | 403.42 | 374.07 | 41.2 | 42.6 | 39.5 | 9.85 | 9.47 | 9.47 |
| Apparel and other textiles | 276.72 | 279.37 | 272.68 | 36.7 | 37.2 | 40.1 | 7.54 | 7.51 | 6.80 |
| Paper and allied products | 579.70 | 586.52 | 557.06 | 46.6 | 47.3 | 45.4 | 12.44 | 12.40 | 12.27 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied | 490.14 | 494.66 | 494.94 | 39.4 | 39.7 | 39.5 | 12.44 | 12.46 | 12.53 |
| Leather and leather products | 274.00 | 285.77 | 280.82 | 36.1 | 37.8 | 38.0 | 7.59 | 7.56 | 7.39 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 457.52 | 465.21 | 464.38 | 43.0 | 43.6 | 43.4 | 10.64 | 10.67 | 10.70 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 52.0%*

*Total Production Workers: 65,618*

*Firms Reporting: 433*

**Manchester Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $469.95 | $476.79 | $484.36 | 42.3 | 42.8 | 42.6 | $11.11 | $11.14 | $11.37 |
| Durable goods | 460.40 | 473.20 | 487.39 | 40.6 | 41.4 | 41.8 | 11.34 | 11.43 | 11.66 |
| Machinery and electronic equipment | 441.00 | 434.68 | 485.53 | 41.1 | 40.1 | 43.9 | 10.73 | 10.84 | 11.06 |
| Nondurable goods | 482.57 | 482.05 | 479.61 | 44.6 | 44.8 | 43.8 | 10.82 | 10.76 | 10.95 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 54.5%*

*Total Production Workers: 7,250*

*Firms Reporting: 39*

**Nashua Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $635.17 | $643.68 | $665.14 | 42.6 | 43.2 | 44.7 | $14.91 | $14.90 | $14.88 |
| Durable goods | 643.80 | 660.67 | 682.69 | 43.5 | 44.4 | 46.6 | 14.80 | 14.88 | 14.65 |
| Machinery and electronic equipment | 629.18 | 658.68 | 675.17 | 46.4 | 47.8 | 51.5 | 13.56 | 13.78 | 13.11 |
| Nondurable goods | 608.54 | 595.81 | 608.75 | 39.8 | 39.8 | 38.7 | 15.29 | 14.97 | 15.73 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 53.5%*

*Total Production Workers: 14,839*

*Firms Reporting: 89*

**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area**

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 |
| All Manufacturing | $468.54 | $474.31 | $466.07 | 41.1 | 41.9 | 41.8 | $11.40 | $11.32 | $11.15 |
| Durable goods | 480.90 | 483.91 | 479.79 | 41.6 | 42.3 | 42.8 | 11.56 | 11.44 | 11.21 |
| Nondurable goods | 450.15 | 460.08 | 443.51 | 40.3 | 41.3 | 40.1 | 11.17 | 11.14 | 11.06 |

*Sample Percent of Production Workers 38.8%*

*Total Production Workers: 13,838*

*Firms Reporting: 42*

### Table 5A. U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

| | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1982-84=100** | | | | |
| **All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)** | | | | |
| October Index | 145.7 | 141.8 | 137.4 | 133.5 |
| Change From Previous October | 2.8% | 3.2% | 2.9% | 6.3% |
| **Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)** | | | | |
| October Index | 143.3 | 139.6 | 135.4 | 131.9 |
| Change From Previous October | 2.7% | 3.1% | 2.7% | 6.2% |
| **1967=100** | | | | |
| **All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)** | | | | |
| October Index | 436.4 | 424.7 | 411.5 | 400.0 |
| Change From Previous October | 2.8% | 3.2% | 2.9% | 6.3% |
| **Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)** | | | | |
| October Index | 426.7 | 415.8 | 403.2 | 393.0 |
| Change From Previous October | 2.6% | 3.1% | 2.6% | 6.3% |

### Table 5B. CPI INDEXES BY CATEGORY

(1982-84=100, except where otherwise noted)

| Categories | CPI-U October Index | Change from: October 1992 | Change from: September 1993 | CPI-W October Index |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All Items | 145.7 | 2.8% | 0.4% | 143.3 |
| All Items (1967=100) | 436.4 | - | - | 426.7 |
| Food and Beverages | 142.3 | 2.2% | 0.4% | 142.0 |
| Housing | 142.2 | 2.7% | -0.1% | 139.6 |
| Apparel and Upkeep | 136.1 | 0.8% | 1.1% | 135.1 |
| Transportation | 131.8 | 3.0% | 1.3% | 131.0 |
| Medical Care | 204.4 | 5.7% | 0.5% | 203.8 |
| Entertainment | 147.3 | 2.6% | 0.5% | 145.5 |
| Other Goods and Services | 193.4 | 2.9% | 0.2% | 191.1 |
| *Current purchasing power of a consumer dollar (1982–84=$1.00)* | $0.686 | -2.7% | -0.4% | $0.698 |

*Note: The CPI data on these tables is unadjusted for seasonal fluctuations.*
*Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics*

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# Oooops!

The table on health insurance coverage in the November issue of *Economic Conditions* was incorrectly labled "Percent of Persons Covered by Health Insurance". A number of you called. Of course, it should have read "Percent of Persons not Covered by Health Insurance". The table is reprinted below.

## Health Insurance

According to data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau on persons covered by health insurance, in 1992 New Hampshire had the highest percentage of persons not covered by health insurance of the six New England States.

**Percent of Persons not Covered by Health Insurance:**

| | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Connecticut | 8.1% | 7.5% | 6.9% |
| Maine | 11.1% | 11.1% | 11.2% |
| Massachusetts | 10.4% | 10.9% | 9.1% |
| **New Hampshire** | **12.6%** | **10.1%** | **9.9%** |
| Rhode Island | 9.3% | 10.1% | 11.1% |
| Vermont | 9.4% | 12.7% | 9.6% |
| **Northeast census region** | **11.3%** | **10.4%** | **10.5%** |
| **United States** | **14.7%** | **14.1%** | **13.9%** |

*source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census*

# NEW HAMPSHIRE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SECURITY OFFICE LABOR SUPPLY AND DEMAND, AND UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACTIVITY

Table 6. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY OCCUPATION AND BY LOCAL OFFICE, OCTOBER 1993

| Local Office | Professional, Technical, & Managerial | Clerical and Sales | Services | Agricultural Fishery & Forestry | Processing | Machine Trades | Benchwork | Structural Work | Freight & Transportation | Packaging & Material Handling | Miscellaneous | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 69 | 164 | 139 | 12 | 11 | 32 | 49 | 119 | 23 | 25 | 6 | 649 |
| Claremont | 111 | 169 | 93 | 10 | 11 | 85 | 45 | 85 | 32 | 50 | 2 | 693 |
| Concord | 514 | 542 | 242 | 25 | 15 | 147 | 95 | 290 | 72 | 112 | 21 | 2,075 |
| Conway | 60 | 73 | 57 | 10 | 1 | 14 | 5 | 48 | 10 | 5 | 4 | 287 |
| Dover | 608 | 723 | 373 | 52 | 37 | 280 | 365 | 433 | 137 | 104 | 24 | 3,136 |
| Keene | 394 | 377 | 192 | 13 | 20 | 158 | 120 | 186 | 58 | 88 | 9 | 1,615 |
| Laconia | 356 | 395 | 315 | 36 | 38 | 225 | 100 | 256 | 71 | 37 | 24 | 1,853 |
| Lebanon | 169 | 140 | 87 | 6 | 5 | 39 | 20 | 85 | 27 | 32 | 3 | 613 |
| Littleton | 141 | 213 | 234 | 14 | 10 | 64 | 25 | 118 | 25 | 31 | 8 | 883 |
| Manchester | 669 | 1056 | 539 | 37 | 54 | 240 | 257 | 511 | 136 | 211 | 38 | 3,748 |
| Nashua | 738 | 477 | 171 | 15 | 41 | 145 | 173 | 173 | 63 | 113 | 12 | 2,121 |
| Portsmouth | 751 | 558 | 281 | 28 | 41 | 129 | 69 | 283 | 90 | 108 | 29 | 2,367 |
| Salem | 341 | 256 | 86 | 10 | 6 | 58 | 72 | 78 | 40 | 27 | 6 | 980 |
| Total all offices | 4,921 | 5,143 | 2,809 | 268 | 290 | 1,616 | 1,395 | 2,665 | 784 | 943 | 186 | 21,020 |

*Source of active applicant tables: SESA Automated Management System (SAMS) - Table A96*

## Active Applicants on File -

### Active Applicants Up

*Active applicants on file at month's end grew*, statewide, over the month (see *Tables 6 and 7*). *All* local offices had *more* applicants on file at the end of October than at the end of September. Compared to a year ago, active applicants on file were *down*. Only the Littleton local office had more over the year.

Looking at active applicants on file by occupational code (*Table 8*) *all* eleven groups showed *increases* from September. The largest *increases* were in *Clerical and Sales* and *Professional, Technical, and Managerial* work occupations. From last October, *all* of the groups showed *declines*. The greatest *decrease* was in active applicants with occupational codes in *Clerical and Sales* work, followed by those with codes in *Structural Work*.

Table 7. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| | | | | Change from Previous Month | | Change from Previous Year | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Local Office | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Net | Percent | Net | Percent |
| Berlin | 649 | 513 | 749 | 136 | 26.5% | -100 | -13.4% |
| Claremont | 693 | 570 | 907 | 123 | 21.6% | -214 | -23.6% |
| Concord | 2,075 | 1,797 | 2,568 | 278 | 15.5% | -493 | -19.2% |
| Conway | 287 | 248 | 414 | 39 | 15.7% | -127 | -30.7% |
| Dover | 3,136 | 2,686 | 3,525 | 450 | 14.8% | -389 | -11.0% |
| Keene | 1,615 | 1,399 | 1,804 | 216 | 15.4% | -189 | -10.5% |
| Laconia | 1,853 | 1,542 | 2,279 | 311 | 20.2% | -426 | -18.7% |
| Lebanon | 613 | 527 | 826 | 86 | 16.3% | -213 | -25.8% |
| Littleton | 883 | 615 | 847 | 268 | 43.6% | 36 | 4.3% |
| Manchester | 3,748 | 3,231 | 5,330 | 517 | 16.0% | -1,582 | -29.7% |
| Nashua | 2,121 | 1,763 | 2,923 | 358 | 20.3% | -802 | -27.4% |
| Portsmouth | 2,367 | 1,988 | 2,385 | 379 | 19.1% | -18 | -0.8% |
| Salem | 980 | 846 | 1,524 | 134 | 15.8% | -544 | -35.7% |
| Total all offices | 21,020 | 17,725 | 26,081 | 3,295 | 18.6% | -5,061 | -19.4% |

Table 8. ACTIVE APPLICANTS ON FILE AT MONTH'S END BY OCCUPATION COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| | | | | Change from Previous Month | | Change from Previous Year | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Occupational Group | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Net | Percent | Net | Percent |
| Professional, Technical, and Managerial | 4,921 | 4,197 | 5,399 | 724 | 17.3% | -478 | -8.9% |
| Clerical and Sales | 5,143 | 4,338 | 6,378 | 805 | 18.6% | -1,235 | -19.4% |
| Services | 2,809 | 2,265 | 3,278 | 544 | 24.0% | -469 | -14.3% |
| Agricultural, Fishery, and Forestry | 268 | 217 | 309 | 51 | 23.5% | -41 | -13.3% |
| Processing | 290 | 238 | 380 | 52 | 21.8% | -90 | -23.7% |
| Machine Trades | 1,616 | 1,396 | 2,222 | 220 | 15.8% | -606 | -27.3% |
| Benchwork | 1,395 | 1,199 | 1,771 | 196 | 16.3% | -376 | -21.2% |
| Structural Work | 2,665 | 2,273 | 3,867 | 392 | 17.2% | -1,202 | -31.1% |
| Motor Freight and Transportation | 784 | 689 | 1,060 | 95 | 13.8% | -276 | -26.0% |
| Packaging and Material Handling | 943 | 757 | 1,205 | 186 | 24.6% | -262 | -21.7% |
| Miscellaneous | 186 | 156 | 212 | 30 | 19.2% | -26 | -12.3% |
| Total | 21,020 | 17,725 | 26,081 | 3,295 | 18.6% | -5,061 | -19.4% |

## Table 9. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED OCTOBER 1993 BY OCCUPATION AND LOCAL OFFICE

| Local Office | Professional, Technical, & Managerial | Clerical and Sales | Services | Agricultural Fishery & Forestry | Pro-cessing | Machine Trades | Bench-work | Struc-tural Work | Freight & Trans-portation | Packaging & Material Handling | Miscel-laneous | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 1 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 203 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 219 |
| Claremont | 13 | 22 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 83 |
| Concord | 15 | 55 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 26 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 139 |
| Conway | 1 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 21 |
| Dover | 22 | 26 | 37 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 22 | 35 | 57 | 8 | 0 | 224 |
| Keene | 24 | 32 | 31 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 9 | 28 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 151 |
| Laconia | 7 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 41 | 15 | 7 | 10 | 0 | 123 |
| Lebanon | 3 | 15 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 56 |
| Littleton | 6 | 16 | 54 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 116 |
| Manchester | 8 | 83 | 52 | 5 | 1 | 16 | 27 | 40 | 23 | 69 | 1 | 325 |
| Nashua | 18 | 105 | 38 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 4 | 40 | 2 | 263 |
| Portsmouth | 19 | 175 | 58 | 1 | 3 | 21 | 34 | 49 | 18 | 14 | 1 | 393 |
| Salem | 7 | 19 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 76 |
| All Others | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Total all offices | 149 | 564 | 368 | 13 | 21 | 148 | 179 | 425 | 136 | 184 | 9 | 2,196 |

*Source of job openings tables: SESA Automated Management System (SAMS) - Table A07*

## Table 10. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 219 | 153 | 27 | 66 | 43.1% | 192 | 711.1% |
| Claremont | 83 | 79 | 77 | 4 | 5.1% | 6 | 7.8% |
| Concord | 139 | 318 | 351 | -179 | -56.3% | -212 | -60.4% |
| Conway | 21 | 57 | 46 | -36 | -63.2% | -25 | -54.3% |
| Dover | 224 | 294 | 209 | -70 | -23.8% | 15 | 7.2% |
| Keene | 151 | 270 | 125 | -119 | -44.1% | 26 | 20.8% |
| Laconia | 123 | 199 | 165 | -76 | -38.2% | -42 | -25.5% |
| Lebanon | 56 | 122 | 95 | -66 | -54.1% | -39 | -41.1% |
| Littleton | 116 | 93 | 60 | 23 | 24.7% | 56 | 93.3% |
| Manchester | 325 | 458 | 411 | -133 | -29.0% | -86 | -20.9% |
| Nashua | 263 | 311 | 245 | -48 | -15.4% | 18 | 7.3% |
| Portsmouth | 393 | 287 | 226 | 106 | 36.9% | 167 | 73.9% |
| Salem | 76 | 86 | 51 | -10 | -11.6% | 25 | 49.0% |
| Other | 7 | 50 | 5 | -43 | -86.0% | 2 | 40.0% |
| Total all offices | 2,196 | 2,777 | 2,093 | -581 | -20.9% | 103 | 4.9% |

## Job Openings Received -

### Job Openings Fall Seasonally

October saw a sharp seasonal *decline* in *job openings received* during the month (see *Tables 9-11, Figure 1*). Over the year they were *up* nearly 5 percent.

Compared to September, all but four of the thirteen local offices and the administrative office received *fewer* job openings. Comparing October 1993 to October 1992, five local offices showed *losses*. The Concord local office was the job opening loss leader both over the month and over the year.

## Table 11. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY OCCUPATION COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Occupational Group | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Professional, Technical, and Managerial | 149 | 176 | 149 | -27 | -15.3% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Clerical and Sales | 564 | 761 | 600 | -197 | -25.9% | -36 | -6.0% |
| Services | 368 | 422 | 438 | -54 | -12.8% | -70 | -16.0% |
| Agricultural, Fishery, and Forestry | 13 | 39 | 12 | -26 | -66.7% | 1 | 8.3% |
| Processing | 21 | 57 | 23 | -36 | -63.2% | -2 | -8.7% |
| Machine Trades | 148 | 161 | 169 | -13 | -8.1% | -21 | -12.4% |
| Benchwork | 179 | 316 | 84 | -137 | -43.4% | 95 | 113.1% |
| Structural Work | 425 | 423 | 329 | 2 | 0.5% | 96 | 29.2% |
| Motor Freight and Transportation | 136 | 128 | 110 | 8 | 6.3% | 26 | 23.6% |
| Packaging and Material Handling | 184 | 256 | 171 | -72 | -28.1% | 13 | 7.6% |
| Miscellaneous | 9 | 38 | 8 | -29 | -76.3% | 1 | 12.5% |
| Total | 2,196 | 2,777 | 2,093 | -581 | -20.9% | 103 | 4.9% |

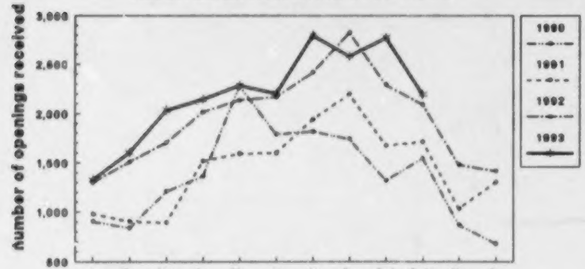

Figure 1. JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED EACH MONTH: 1990-1993

*September 1990 data reconstructed after computer error - differs from data published in the November 90 issue of "Economic Conditions".
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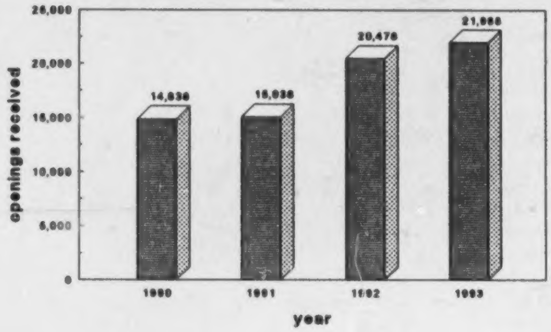


Figure 2. CUMULATIVE TOTAL JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED THRU OCTOBER FOR THE YEARS 1990-1993

## Cumulative Job Openings Received Exceeds 1987 Total

The cumulative total of job openings received through October; 21,966 (see *Figure 2*); was *larger* than any January to October total since before 1987.

Looking at job openings received in October, by *occupational group* (*Table 11*), all but two of eleven groups had over-the-month *decreases*. Compared to *October 1992*, all but five of the eleven occupational groups had *increased* openings received. Openings in *Structural Work* and in *Benchwork* occupations had the largest over-the-year additions.

## Unemployment Compensation Claims Activity -

### Initial Claims Rise

Initial claims activity *increased* by 5.7% over the month (see *Figure 3*, *Table 12*). The cumulative total of initial claims for the calendar year, through October (see *Figure 4*), was the *lowest* since 1988 when 28,625 new claims were initiated, statewide, during the first ten months of the year.

Ten of the fourteen claimstaking offices (thirteen local offices plus the liable state office) reported *increases* in initial claims filed during the month. The single biggest change was a *decrease* of 325 in the Lebanon local office. The Littleton local office saw its initial claims load balloon by 213.

### Fewer Initial Claims than a Year Ago

Initial claims filed statewide, compared to a year ago, were *down* by 13.3 percent. All but three of the fourteen claims taking offices saw *decreases* in initial claims activity from October a year ago.

Figure 3. INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS FILED EACH MONTH, ALL PROGRAMS: 1990-1993

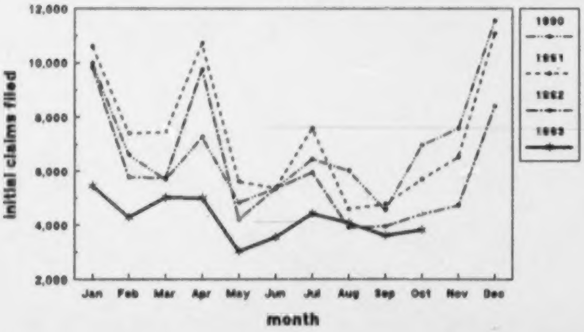
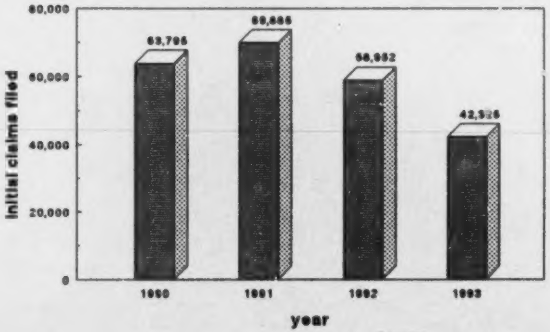


Figure 4. CUMULATIVE TOTAL INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS FILED THRU OCTOBER, LAST FOUR YEARS



## UC Continued Claims Fall, EUC Claims Continue to Abate

The number of *continued weeks of unemployment compensation claimed fell* in October (see *Figure 5*) *decreasing* from 26,836 in September to 23,867 (see *Table 13*). Just 4,915 continued weeks of unemployment compensation were claimed under the *Emergency Unemployment Compensation Assistance* (EUC) program (see *Figure 7*) during the month of October. This is the *smallest* number of continued claims filed under this program since the month the program went into effect, November 1991. It represented a decrease of 21.8 percent from September activity. *Final payments* were made in October to 227 claimants who *exhausted* their benefits under EUC. EUC was set to expire in early October for those filing new claims, but an amendment to the enabling legislation, effective November 24, 1993, has extended another seven weeks of EUC coverage to those exhausting regular UC benefits between the weeks ending October 3, 1993 and January 29, 1994.

All but two of the fourteen claimstaking offices had *fewer* continued weeks claimed in October than in September. The Nashua and Dover local offices saw the largest *decreases*.

## Continued Weeks Claimed Below Year-Ago Tally

The October continued weeks claimed total (*Table 13*) was 9.6 percent *smaller* compared to a year ago. With EUC continued claims added in (*Figure 7*) October's total was 22.3% *smaller* than that of last October.

Table 12. INITIAL CLAIMS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 294 | 156 | 279 | 138 | 88.5% | 15 | 5.4% |
| Claremont | 141 | 108 | 127 | 33 | 30.6% | 14 | 11.0% |
| Concord | 271 | 300 | 372 | -29 | -9.7% | -101 | -27.2% |
| Conway | 120 | 70 | 154 | 50 | 71.4% | -34 | -22.1% |
| Dover | 453 | 364 | 559 | 89 | 24.5% | -106 | -19.0% |
| Keene | 170 | 129 | 191 | 41 | 31.8% | -21 | -11.0% |
| Laconia | 307 | 251 | 320 | 56 | 22.3% | -13 | -4.1% |
| Lebanon | 59 | 384 | 102 | -325 | -84.6% | -43 | -42.2% |
| Littleton | 289 | 76 | 238 | 213 | 280.3% | 51 | 21.4% |
| Manchester | 546 | 679 | 678 | -133 | -19.6% | -132 | -19.5% |
| Nashua | 395 | 453 | 431 | -58 | -12.8% | -36 | -8.4% |
| Portsmouth | 284 | 244 | 379 | 40 | 16.4% | -95 | -25.1% |
| Salem | 229 | 191 | 300 | 38 | 19.9% | -71 | -23.7% |
| Liable State | 263 | 210 | 277 | 53 | 25.2% | -14 | -5.1% |
| Total all offices | 3,821 | 3,615 | 4,407 | 206 | 5.7% | -586 | -13.3% |

Table 13. CONTINUED WEEKS OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMED BY LOCAL OFFICE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| Local Office | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berlin | 851 | 689 | 829 | 162 | 23.5% | 22 | 2.7% |
| Claremont | 442 | 625 | 718 | -183 | -29.3% | -276 | -38.4% |
| Concord | 2,067 | 2,334 | 2,390 | -267 | -11.4% | -323 | -13.5% |
| Conway | 479 | 533 | 521 | -54 | -10.1% | -42 | -8.1% |
| Dover | 2,692 | 3,160 | 3,429 | -468 | -14.8% | -737 | -21.5% |
| Keene | 1,308 | 1,623 | 1,468 | -315 | -19.4% | -160 | -10.9% |
| Laconia | 1,756 | 1,901 | 2,006 | -145 | -7.6% | -250 | -12.5% |
| Lebanon | 568 | 986 | 743 | -418 | -42.4% | -175 | -23.6% |
| Littleton | 572 | 532 | 820 | 40 | 7.5% | -248 | -30.2% |
| Manchester | 4,411 | 4,809 | 4,378 | -398 | -8.3% | 33 | 0.8% |
| Nashua | 3,448 | 3,935 | 3,548 | -487 | -12.4% | -100 | -2.8% |
| Portsmouth | 1,558 | 1,580 | 1,801 | -22 | -1.4% | -243 | -13.5% |
| Salem | 1,744 | 1,891 | 1,622 | -147 | -7.8% | 122 | 7.5% |
| Liable State | 1,971 | 2,238 | 2,124 | -267 | -11.9% | -153 | -7.2% |
| Total all offices | 23,867 | 26,836 | 26,397 | -2,969 | -11.1% | -2,530 | -9.6% |

*Source of unemployment compensation claims data: New Hampshire Employment Security, "Weekly Report of Claims"*

*Note: Initial claims are not claims paid and continued weeks claimed do not necessarily represent claims paid. Claimants are not eligible for an unemployment compensation payment until they initiate a claim series with an "initial claim" and then file a "continued claim" after a period of unemployment.*

## All but Three Offices See Continued Claims Drop from Last October

*All* but three of the claims processing offices had *fewer* continued weeks claimed compared to October 1992. The Dover local office had the *largest drop* followed by the Concord local office.

Cumulative continued weeks claimed (see *Figure 6*) for the calendar year to date were the *lowest* since *1989*.

## Benefits Payments Fall

*Net benefits paid during the month dropped* by 16.0 percent from September. They were *down* by nearly a third from October 1992 (see *Table 14*). The *average payment for a week of total unemployment increased* by 1.4 percent from September to October and was *up* by 2.0 percent from October 1992. The *unemployment compensation fund balance edged up* by 0.6 percent from September to October (see *Figure 8*). The fund balance was *up* from a year ago by 27.2 percent.

*Peter S. Bartlett*

**Figure 5. CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED, ALL PROGRAMS DURING EACH MONTH: 1990-1993**

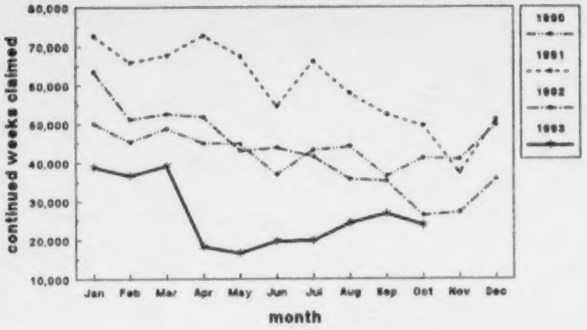
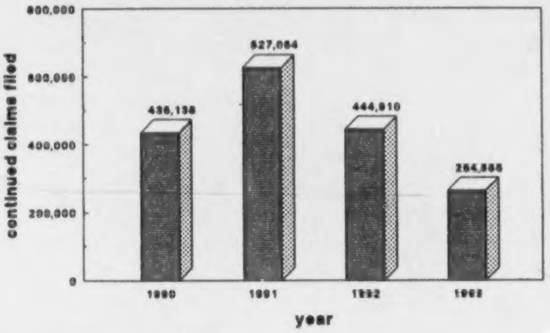


**Figure 6. CONTINUED WEEKS U.C. CLAIMED, ALL PROGRAMS, CUMULATIVE THRU OCTOBER, 1990-1993**



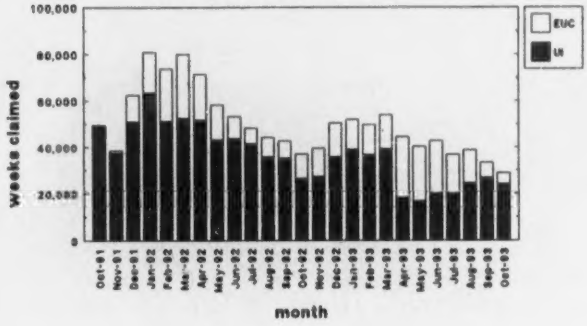
## Table 14. OCTOBER UNEMPLOYMENT FUND INFORMATION

| Fund Data | October 1993 | September 1993 | October 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Average payment for a week of total unemployment | $148.37 | $146.37 | $145.52 | $2.00 | 1.4% | $2.85 | 2.0% |
| Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of the month | $163,897,297.83 | $162,888,354.56 | $128,844,453.01 | $1,008,943.27 | 0.6% | $35,052,844.82 | 27.2% |
| Net benefits paid during the month | $3,083,282.97 | $3,668,907.40 | $4,488,294.81 | -$585,624.43 | -16.0% | -$1,405,011.84 | -31.3% |

- *Net contributions received during the month: $4,092,226.24*
- *Interest Received: $0.00*

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security, Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

**Figure 7. WEEKS CLAIMED REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (UI) AND EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (EUC) PROGRAMS**



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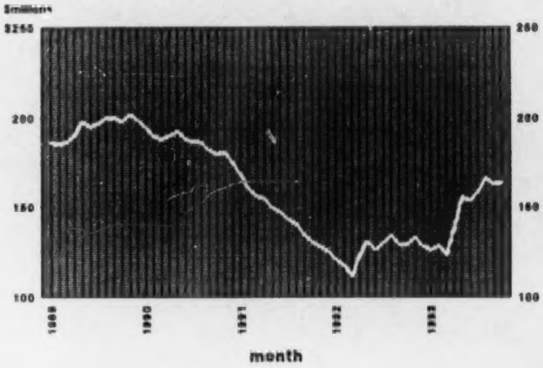

## Verry Interresting . . . !

**Even with the "Medicaid Enhancement" tax, New Hampshire gets a relatively small slice of the Federal pie.**

**PER CAPITA AMOUNTS AND RANK OF FEDERAL EXPENDITURES BY STATE for Fiscal Years (ending September 30) 1989 to 1992**

|  | FY 89 |  | FY 90 |  | FY 91 |  | FY 92 |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| STATE | dollars | rank | dollars | rank | dollars | rank | dollars | rank |
| Alabama | $3,656 | 21 | $4,242 | 13 | $4,515 | 15 | $4,920 | 15 |
| Alaska | 5,680 | 2 | 5,867 | 3 | 6,413 | 2 | 6,873 | 2 |
| Arizona | 3,763 | 17 | 4,112 | 17 | 4,131 | 28 | 4,309 | 32 |
| Arkansas | 3,523 | 27 | 3,509 | 37 | 3,817 | 36 | 4,151 | 35 |
| California | 3,737 | 19 | 3,891 | 24 | 4,203 | 24 | 4,526 | 22 |
| Colorado | 4,216 | 11 | 4,428 | 11 | 4,878 | 11 | 4,952 | 14 |
| Connecticut | 4,875 | 6 | 4,484 | 10 | 5,001 | 10 | 4,846 | 16 |
| Delaware | 3,128 | 43 | 3,226 | 44 | 3,581 | 43 | 3,897 | 43 |
| District of Columbia | 25,190 | 1 | 28,592 | 1 | 31,948 | 1 | 33,952 | 1 |
| Florida | 3,684 | 20 | 3,970 | 20 | 4,239 | 21 | 4,648 | 19 |
| Georgia | 3,161 | 42 | 3,265 | 43 | 3,584 | 42 | 4,191 | 34 |
| Hawaii | 4,866 | 7 | 4,927 | 7 | 5,429 | 6 | 5,600 | 6 |
| Idaho | 3,637 | 22 | 3,862 | 25 | 4,126 | 29 | 4,425 | 28 |
| Illinois | 2,978 | 47 | 3,210 | 45 | 3,532 | 45 | 3,818 | 45 |
| Indiana | 2,845 | 50 | 3,051 | 50 | 3,352 | 50 | 3,529 | 51 |
| Iowa | 3,454 | 31 | 3,587 | 35 | 3,687 | 41 | 4,053 | 37 |
| Kansas | 3,612 | 24 | 3,850 | 27 | 4,216 | 23 | 4,442 | 27 |
| Kentucky | 3,316 | 37 | 3,670 | 33 | 4,102 | 30 | 4,139 | 36 |
| Louisiana | 3,291 | 39 | 3,582 | 36 | 3,827 | 35 | 4,340 | 31 |
| Maine | 3,896 | 15 | 4,011 | 19 | 4,535 | 14 | 5,290 | 9 |
| Maryland | 5,194 | 5 | 5,671 | 5 | 6,071 | 4 | 6,589 | 3 |
| Massachusetts | 4,830 | 8 | 4,949 | 6 | 5,245 | 7 | 5,474 | 7 |
| Michigan | 2,801 | 51 | 3,142 | 48 | 3,369 | 49 | 3,788 | 47 |
| Minnesota | 3,316 | 36 | 3,445 | 41 | 3,693 | 40 | 3,751 | 49 |
| Mississippi | 3,740 | 18 | 3,912 | 23 | 4,336 | 17 | 5,107 | 10 |
| Missouri | 4,523 | 10 | 4,741 | 8 | 5,120 | 9 | 5,025 | 12 |
| Montana | 4,047 | 12 | 4,186 | 14 | 4,632 | 12 | 4,967 | 13 |
| Nebraska | 3,582 | 26 | 3,860 | 26 | 4,029 | 32 | 4,280 | 33 |
| Nevada | 3,505 | 30 | 3,448 | 40 | 3,833 | 34 | 4,052 | 38 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 3,084 | 44 | 3,209 | 46 | 3,506 | 46 | 3,853 | 44 |
| New Jersey | 3,347 | 35 | 3,664 | 34 | 3,977 | 33 | 4,405 | 30 |
| New Mexico | 5,298 | 3 | 5,703 | 4 | 6,032 | 5 | 6,572 | 4 |
| New York | 3,593 | 25 | 3,918 | 22 | 4,252 | 19 | 4,632 | 21 |
| North Carolina | 2,869 | 49 | 3,043 | 51 | 3,450 | 47 | 3,761 | 48 |
| North Dakota | 4,595 | 9 | 4,555 | 9 | 5,124 | 8 | 5,452 | 8 |
| Ohio | 3,309 | 38 | 3,496 | 38 | 3,786 | 37 | 3,950 | 40 |
| Oklahoma | 3,449 | 32 | 3,753 | 30 | 4,086 | 31 | 4,450 | 26 |
| Oregon | 3,036 | 46 | 3,457 | 39 | 3,579 | 44 | 3,934 | 41 |
| Pennsylvania | 3,521 | 28 | 3,823 | 28 | 4,135 | 27 | 4,640 | 20 |
| Rhode Island | 3,818 | 16 | 4,303 | 12 | 4,585 | 13 | 5,041 | 11 |
| South Carolina | 3,412 | 33 | 3,919 | 21 | 4,187 | 25 | 4,415 | 29 |
| South Dakota | 4,042 | 13 | 4,114 | 16 | 4,418 | 16 | 4,684 | 17 |
| Tennessee | 3,373 | 34 | 3,701 | 31 | 4,218 | 22 | 4,485 | 25 |
| Texas | 3,222 | 41 | 3,428 | 42 | 3,716 | 39 | 3,956 | 39 |
| Utah | 3,627 | 23 | 3,779 | 29 | 3,782 | 38 | 3,925 | 42 |
| Vermont | 3,048 | 45 | 3,148 | 47 | 3,404 | 48 | 3,801 | 46 |
| Virginia | 5,258 | 4 | 5,874 | 2 | 6,152 | 3 | 6,416 | 5 |
| Washington | 4,038 | 14 | 4,140 | 15 | 4,290 | 18 | 4,678 | 18 |
| West Virginia | 3,291 | 40 | 3,685 | 32 | 4,145 | 26 | 4,485 | 24 |
| Wisconsin | 2,974 | 48 | 3,052 | 49 | 3,279 | 51 | 3,563 | 50 |
| Wyoming | 3,508 | 29 | 4,089 | 18 | 4,241 | 20 | 4,506 | 23 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Federal Expenditures by State

Federal expenditures include the following agencies, payments, and awards: Agriculture, Education, Environmental Protection, Health & Human Services, Housing & Urban Development, Labor, Transportation, Defense, all other Federal including Postal Service, Social Security, Medicare, Federal retirement and disability payments, all other direct payments to individuals, and procurement contract awards.

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## Employment and Wages Covered by Unemployment Compensation -

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Includes data on the total monthly employment and the average monthly employment for the year, average weekly wages for the year, and total wages paid for the year and for each quarter, for employers covered by New Hampshire unemployment compensation law (all from the ES-202 program) for the state of New Hampshire and its labor market and metropolitan statistical areas, broken out by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Divisions and two digit Major Industry Groups.

**Quarterly Data:**

- *Employment and Wages by Labor Market and Metropolitan Statistical Area in New Hampshire, Third and Fourth Quarters 1992*: 60 pages; August 1993.
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**Note:** In a change of policy, the publications of quarterly data are no longer mailed out automatically to persons on the mailing list for the annual averages reports, but will be available upon request.

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- *New Hampshire Affirmative Action 1992:* 101 pages; October 1993.

Report containing narrative and statistical tables conveying information regarding population, labor force, active applicants, and employment by occupation and industry by sex and minority status.

- *New Hampshire Occupational Statistics - Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities Industries 1991*: 73 pages; March 1993.

Statewide estimates of occupational employment in the transportation, communications and public utilities industries in New Hampshire in 1991 calculated from sample data obtained by the Occupational Employment Statistics survey.

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- *1993 New Hampshire Wages*: 297 pages; September 1993.

This report details hourly wage rates for *over 370 different occupations* in New Hampshire. The Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau compiled responses from *1,966 New Hampshire employers*, covering almost *seventy-nine thousand employees* within seven industry categories and organized by ten wage survey areas. The survey reports wage information as of *May 1, 1993*.

Data is arranged four different ways: 1) *statewide*, all industries; 2) by *wage survey area*, all industries; 3) by *industry type*, statewide; and 4) by *industry type* within each wage survey area. The report also includes a brief descriptive narrative, tables, and graphs that compare the twenty occupations having the most reported employment.

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# ECONOMIC CONDITIONS in New Hampshire

January 1994

**In this issue...** we introduce a new format for *Economic Conditions*. We have incorporated many of your suggestions. We hope the resulting product will give you the information you need in a clearer, more readable package - *see page 8.*

**Attached to this issue:** A fact sheet on PC ALEX, a mainframe-computer-based job bank allowing users to search a database of job openings at libraries and state technical schools.

- ○ The New Hampshire not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November fell to 5.3 percent, dropping 0.6 percentage points; from the revised estimate for October - unchanged at 5.9 percent. The state rate one year ago was 7.3 percent.
- ○ The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November declined to 6.1 percent, dropping 0.2 percentage points. One year ago the national rate was 7.0 percent.
- ○ New Hampshire's labor force increased to an estimated 652,080 in November; employment levels increased 8,940 to 617,750; unemployment levels decreased to 34,330.
- ○ Nonagricultural wage and salary jobs numbers slipped by 4,100. The total of 499,600 was the largest for November since 1990.
- ○ In November, manufacturing jobs grew by 200, construction lost 800 jobs over the month, retail trade remained unchanged, while wholesale jobs declined by 200.
- ○ November-to-November nonfarm jobs increased by 7,300; total government jobs increased by 5.6 percent over the year.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

### N.H. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HAS BEEN BELOW U.S. RATE SINCE EARLY SPRING

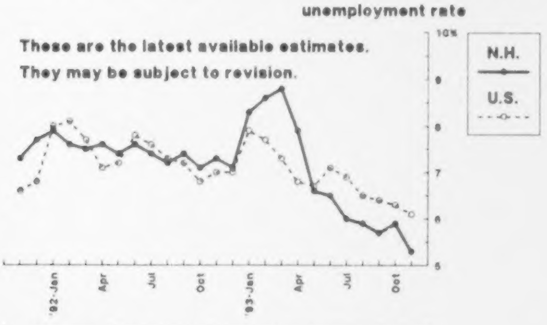

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

### NONFARM JOBS BEGIN TO REBOUND FOLLOWING LONG PLUNGE

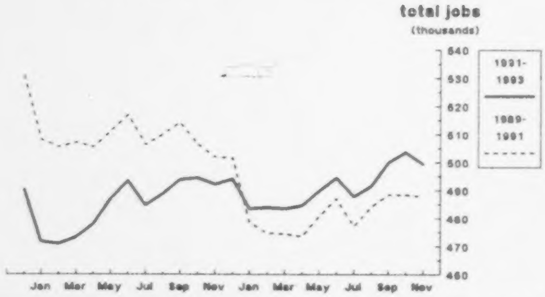

**Figure b.**
TOTAL JOBS IN NH NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DECEMBER 1989 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1993

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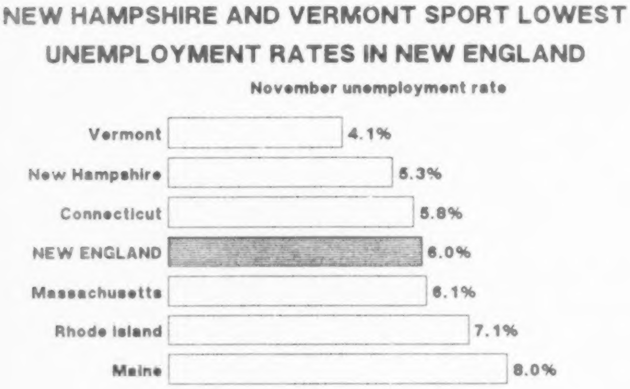
### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers | | | Net Change From Previous: | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NOVEMBER 1993 | OCTOBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1992 | Month | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 652,080 | 646,710 | 645,340 | 5,370 | 6,740 |
| Employed | 617,750 | 608,810 | 598,090 | 8,940 | 19,660 |
| Unemployed | 34,330 | 37,900 | 48,110 | -3,750 | -12,920 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 5.3% | 5.9% | 7.3% | — | — |

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | NOVEMBER 1993 | OCTOBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1992 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.1% | 6.3% | 7.0% |
| - NEW HAMPSHIRE STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS - | | | |
| Manchester MSA | 5.0% | 5.5% | 7.2% |
| Nashua PMSA | 6.3% | 7.2% | 8.5% |
| Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester, NH-ME MSA | 4.1% | 4.2% | 5.4% |
| Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH PMSA | 8.0% | 8.9% | 9.7% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 7.0% | 7.3% | 10.0% |
| - IN THE REGION - | | | |
| Boston MA, PMSA | 5.2% | 5.4% | 7.2% |
| NEW ENGLAND | 6.0% | 5.8% | 8.0% |
| Connecticut | 5.8% | 5.6% | 7.0% |
| Maine | 8.0% | 6.5% | 7.1% |
| Massachusetts | 6.1% | 6.2% | 8.3% |
| New Hampshire | 5.3% | 5.9% | 7.3% |
| Rhode Island | 7.1% | 6.9% | 7.9% |
| Vermont | 4.1% | 3.7% | 5.9% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 5.9% | 6.3% | 8.4% |
| New York | 7.2% | 7.5% | 7.8% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.7% | 6.6% | 6.8% |



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NEW ENGLAND STATES' UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES

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# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

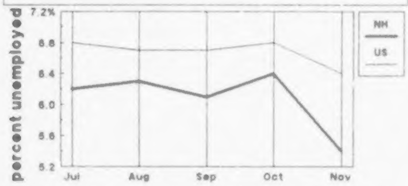
The New Hampshire seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November fell one full percentage point from October's revised rate, which was unchanged at 6.4, to 5.4 percent; the U.S. adjusted rate for November was 6.4 percent, down 0.4 percentage points.

Table 3. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.2% | 6.3% | 6.1% | 6.4% | 5.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 630,660 | 642,290 | 648,540 | 649,760 | 650,940 |
| Number Employed | 591,650 | 601,650 | 609,280 | 608,300 | 615,510 |
| Number Unemployed | 39,010 | 40,640 | 39,260 | 41,460 | 35,430 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.8% | 6.7% | 6.7% | 6.8% | 6.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,070 | 128,370 | 127,975 | 128,714 | 128,633 |
| Number Employed | 119,301 | 119,710 | 119.457 | 119,928 | 120,381 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,769 | 8,661 | 8,517 | 8,786 | 8,252 |

**Figure d.**

NH AND US UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS



US AND NH ADJUSTED RATES DIVERGE SHARPLY

Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs for November were estimated to number 493,700. October's estimate was revised to 495,900 jobs.

Table 4. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

| Industry | Jul-93 | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 489,20 | 488,000 | 491,500 | 495,900 | 493,700 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 16,900 | 16,900 | 16,800 | 16,700 | 16,500 |
| manufacturing | 96,400 | 96,500 | 96,400 | 96,300 | 96,800 |
| durable goods | 65,400 | 65,100 | 64,900 | 64,700 | 65,100 |
| nondurable goods | 31,000 | 31,400 | 31,500 | 31,600 | 31,700 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 16,700 | 16,400 | 17,000 | 17,000 | 16,900 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 123,800 | 123,000 | 122,500 | 124,100 | 123,500 |
| wholesale trade | 22,300 | 21,700 | 21,900 | 21,900 | 21,700 |
| retail trade | 101,500 | 101,300 | 100,600 | 102,200 | 101,800 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,300 | 29,100 | 29,000 | 29,200 | 29,100 |
| services | 131,900 | 131,900 | 132,800 | 135,100 | 134,200 |
| government | 73,700 | 73,700 | 76,500 | 77,000 | 76,200 |

** Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

## ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT AND SERVICES JOBS RESPONSIBLE FOR MOST OF NONAG GAINS OVER YEAR

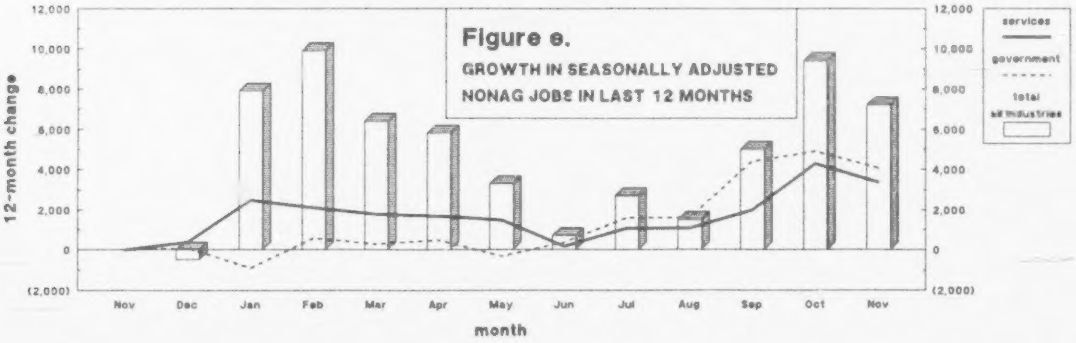


Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY - NUMBER OF JOBS**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1992 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change** From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NOVEMBER 1993 | OCTOBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1992 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government | 499,600 | 503,700 | 492,300 | -4,100 | 7,300 |
| PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| Private Employment Total | 420,400 | 424,700 | 417,300 | -4,300 | 3,100 |
| Goods Producing (Private) Total | 115,900 | 116,500 | 115,800 | -600 | 100 |
| MINING | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 17,900 | 18,700 | 17,700 | -800 | 200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 97,500 | 97,300 | 97,600 | 200 | -100 |
| **Durable Goods Total*** | 65,600 | 65,400 | 66,600 | 200 | -1,000 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 100 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,800 | 0 | 200 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,200 | 0 | 200 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 19,400 | 19,300 | 20,600 | 100 | -1,200 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 13,800 | 13,800 | 13,200 | 0 | 600 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 11,000 | 11,000 | 11,800 | 0 | -800 |
| **Nondurable Goods Total*** | 31,900 | 31,900 | 31,000 | 0 | 900 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,400 | 0 | 300 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,500 | 0 | -400 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,400 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 100 | 100 |
| Leather and leather products | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,000 | -100 | 0 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,700 | 8,700 | 8,000 | 0 | 700 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** | 304,500 | 308,200 | 301,500 | -3,700 | 3,000 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 17,100 | 17,300 | 17,100 | -200 | 0 |
| **Trade Total** | 125,400 | 125,600 | 125,500 | -200 | -100 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 21,700 | 21,900 | 21,300 | -200 | 400 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 103,700 | 103,700 | 104,200 | 0 | -500 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,100 | 29,100 | 29,400 | 0 | -300 |
| SERVICES | 132,900 | 136,200 | 129,500 | -3,300 | 3,400 |
| Health Services | 41,300 | 41,400 | 41,800 | -100 | -500 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total** | 79,200 | 79,000 | 75,000 | 200 | 4,200 |
| Federal | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 0 | 100 |
| State | 22,900 | 23,400 | 19,800 | -500 | 3,100 |
| Local | 48,600 | 47,900 | 47,600 | 700 | 1,000 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** | 383,700 | 387,200 | 376,500 | -3,500 | 7,200 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program** | **Manchester MSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH-ME MSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **NUMBER OF JOBS by place of establishment,** | NOVEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | From Previous | | NOVEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | From Previous | | NOVEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | From Previous | |
| benchmarked on March 1992 data | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private & Government** | 77,400 | 76,500 | 76,700 | 900 | 700 | 86,100 | 86,200 | 84,600 | -100 | 1,500 | 109,500 | 109,800 | 106,800 | -300 | 2,700 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** | 68,100 | 67,600 | 67,700 | 500 | 400 | 78,400 | 78,500 | 77,000 | -100 | 1,400 | 84,100 | 84,300 | 82,600 | -200 | 1,500 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** | 13,100 | 13,100 | 12,800 | 0 | 300 | 31,000 | 30,500 | 31,100 | 500 | -100 | 22,200 | 22,000 | 21,900 | 200 | 300 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,000 | 0 | 200 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 0 | -100 | 2,700 | 2,900 | 2,800 | -200 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 9,900 | 9,900 | 9,800 | 0 | 100 | 28,500 | 28,000 | 28,500 | 500 | 0 | 19,500 | 19,100 | 19,100 | 400 | 400 |
| **Durable Goods** | 5,800 | 5,700 | 6,000 | 100 | -200 | 22,500 | 22,000 | 22,600 | 500 | -100 | 11,800 | 11,400 | 11,500 | 400 | 300 |
| INDUS/COM MACHNRY *plus* ELEC/ELECTRON EQ | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,500 | 0 | 300 | 13,300 | 12,800 | 13,000 | 500 | 300 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods** | 4,100 | 4,200 | 3,800 | -100 | 300 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,900 | 0 | 100 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 0 | 100 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** | 55,000 | 54,500 | 54,900 | 500 | 100 | 47,400 | 48,000 | 45,900 | -600 | 1,500 | 61,900 | 62,300 | 60,700 | -400 | 1,200 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 4,600 | 4,500 | 4,200 | 100 | 400 | 3,400 | 3,500 | 2,800 | -100 | 600 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,000 | -100 | 100 |
| **Trade Total** | 19,200 | 18,500 | 19,200 | 700 | 0 | 20,600 | 20,500 | 20,700 | 100 | -100 | 28,900 | 29,200 | 27,900 | -300 | 1,000 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,600 | 0 | -100 | 3,700 | 3,800 | 3,800 | -100 | -100 | 2,700 | 2,700 | 2,800 | 0 | -100 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 14,700 | 14,000 | 14,600 | 700 | 100 | 16,900 | 16,700 | 16,900 | 200 | 0 | 26,200 | 26,500 | 25,100 | -300 | 1,100 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,500 | 7,500 | 8,400 | 0 | -900 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 100 | 200 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 0 | 0 |
| SERVICES | 23,700 | 24,000 | 23,100 | -300 | 600 | 20,000 | 20,700 | 19,200 | -700 | 800 | 23,100 | 23,100 | 23,000 | 0 | 100 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total** | 9,300 | 8,900 | 9,000 | 400 | 300 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 0 | 100 | 25,400 | 25,500 | 24,200 | -100 | 1,200 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,800 | -100 | -500 |
| State | 1,000 | 900 | 900 | 100 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 0 | 100 | 8,100 | 8,200 | 6,100 | -100 | 2,000 |
| Local | 5,800 | 5,500 | 5,600 | 300 | 200 | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,300 | 0 | 0 | 10,000 | 9,900 | 10,300 | 100 | -300 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** | 64,300 | 63,400 | 63,900 | 900 | 400 | 55,100 | 55,700 | 53,500 | -600 | 1,600 | 87,300 | 87,800 | 84,900 | -500 | 2,400 |

**Manchester MSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, and Hooksett.

**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** -- includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth, the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Durham, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, Ogunquit, South Berwick, Wells, and York.

N.A. *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

## Labor Surplus Areas

**In some parts of the state, firms may have an edge in bidding on Federal Contracts.**

Does your firm bid on Federal jobs in Labor Surplus Areas?

On October 1, 1993, three New Hampshire civil jurisdictions were designated as labor surplus areas for the period from October 1, 1993, to September 30, 1994:

**Belknap County**, with an average unemployment rate during 1991-1992 of 8.5%;

**"the balance of" Rockingham County** (Rockingham County less the City of Portsmouth whose unemployment rate during the period was just 5.2%), whose unemployment rate during the period was 8.6%; and

**the City of Rochester** with an average unemployment rate during the period of 8.5%.

Since 1952, the Federal government has sought to combat high regional unemployment by funneling Federal procurement contracts into areas of high unemployment. The Labor Surplus Area program first received statutory authority in 1977. It was authorized on a permanent basis in 1980. Employers in labor surplus areas (areas of high unemployment) may be given preference in Federal set-aside contract bidding so as to direct Federal procurement dollars into areas of great economic need.

Labor surplus area status is granted based on units called "civil jurisdictions". A civil jurisdiction is defined as any city

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Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

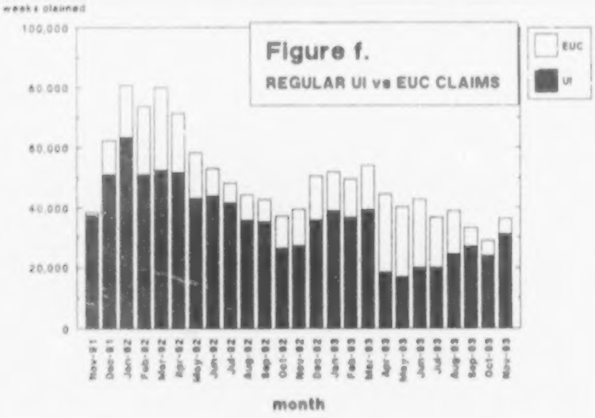
| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | NOVEMBER 1993 | OCTOBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 4,249 | 3,821 | 4,733 | 428 | 11.2% | -484 | -10.2% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 30,948 | 23,867 | 27,156 | 7,081 | 29.7% | 3,792 | 14.0% |
| FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 606 | 831 | 955 | -225 | -27.1% | -349 | -36.5% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 5,364 | 4,915 | 12,289 | 449 | 9.1% | -6,925 | -56.4% |

An increase of 3,792 regular unemployment compensation continued weeks claimed more than offset by drop of 6,925 EUC weeks claimed.

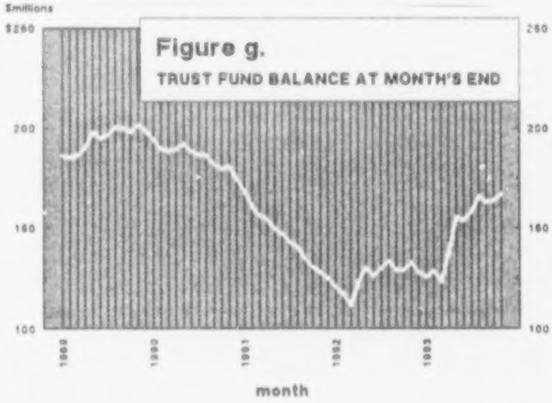
*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of November: $167,007,284.70
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $146.75
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $4,663,954.06
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $4,990,110.58
- ☐ Interest Received: $2,783,830.35

## REGULAR CONTINUED UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS RISE AS EUC CLAIMS FALL



## TRUST FUND HAS REBOUNDED TO EARLY 1991 LEVEL



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with a population of at least 25,000 or any county minus any city within the county that qualifies separately as a civil jurisdiction. By this definition, New Hampshire has 16 civil jurisdictions; ten county or "balance-of-county" jurisdictions; and six city jurisdictions, cities with populations of 25,000 or more, i.e.: Manchester, Nashua, Concord, Rochester, Dover, and Portsmouth. A civil jurisdiction becomes a labor surplus area if its average unemployment rate during the two previous calendar years is at least 20 percent above the unemployment rate for the U.S. plus Puerto Rico during that two year period. A new qualifying rate was published in October 1993. The reference period used in setting that rate was January 1991 through December 1992. The national average unemployment rate during this period was 7.1 percent. Therefore the qualifying rate for labor surplus area classification for the twelve month period ending September 30, 1993 is 8.5 percent or above (7.1 percent x 1.2 = 8.5 percent). When national unemployment is high, with a two-year average unemployment rate for the U.S. at 8.3 percent or above, the 20 percent ratio is ignored. A civil jurisdiction is then classified as a labor surplus area if its unemployment rate during the two-year period was 10 percent or more. Similarly, during periods when the average unemployment rate for the U.S. during the reference period was low, 5.0 percent or less, the minimum unemployment rate for a civil jurisdiction to qualify as a labor surplus area is 6.0 percent.

The list of labor surplus areas is published each month by the U.S. Department of Labor's, Employment and Training Administration, in the report, *Area Trends in Employment and Unemployment*. Labor surplus areas are established each year on October 1 and remain effect until September 30 of the next year. During the year, additional areas may be added under "exceptional circumstances" criteria.

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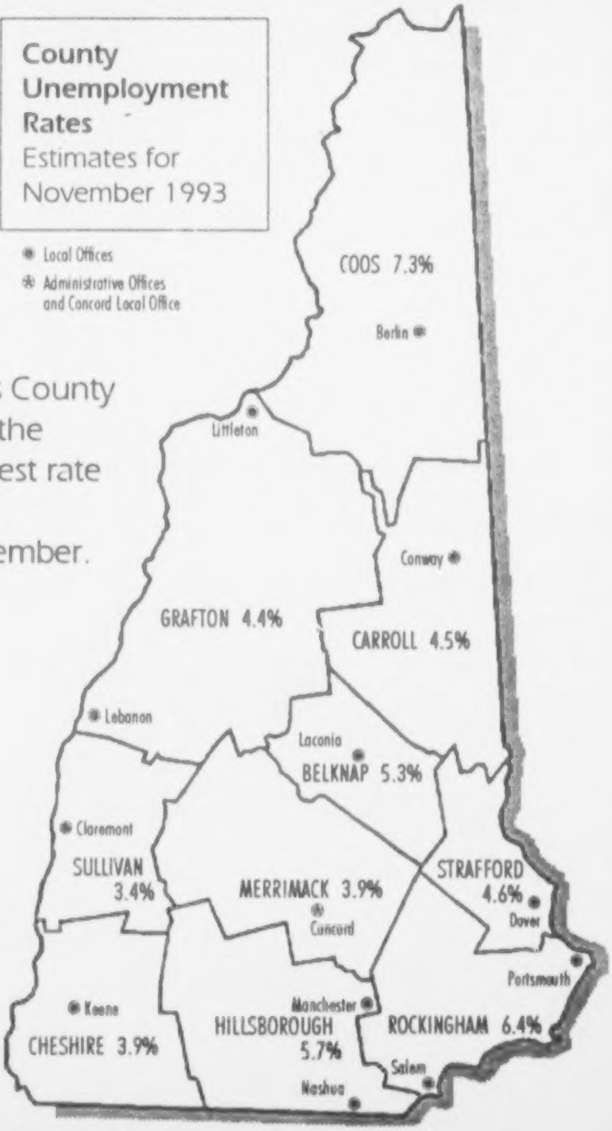
**County Unemployment Rates**
Estimates for November 1993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⊛ Administrative Offices and Concord Local Office
COOS 7.3%
Berlin
Littleton
Conway
GRAFTON 4.4%
CARROLL 4.5%
Lebanon
Laconia
BELKNAP 5.3%
Claremont
SULLIVAN 3.4%
MERRIMACK 3.9%
Concord
STRAFFORD 4.6%
Dover
Portsmouth
Keene
Manchester
CHESHIRE 3.9%
HILLSBOROUGH 5.7%
ROCKINGHAM 6.4%
Salem
Nashua

Coos County had the highest rate in November.

**United States CONSUMER PRICE INDEX for All Urban Areas (CPI-U)**

| Index | | | Change from Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| November 1993 | October 1993 | November 1992 | Month | Year |
| 145.8 | 145.7 | 142.0 | 0.1% | 2.7% |

Indexed on 1982-1986 = 100

# Something old, something new . . .

## "What have you done to *Economic Conditions*?"

Some time ago, we conducted a survey of *Economic Conditions* readers. Along with a good deal of much appreciated praise of what we have been doing, came some really thoughtful ideas about things that you would like to see changed. We tallied your responses immediately, but avoided the temptation to make hasty changes other than adding a few new feature articles. We wanted to take extra time to fully assess your input.

This past summer our bureau director, George Nazer, assigned a team of three Research Unit labor market analysts: Cleaven Ferguson, Charlie Hood, and myself, to look more closely at the user survey responses and at some of the publications other states are producing. Our goal was to recreate *Economic Conditions* in a form that is more contemporary, more readable, and better suited to our readers' needs.

First, we replaced the opening text with bullets in a larger typeface. We plan to highlight the *important* data with these bullets instead of forcing you to read through long paragraphs to find the numbers you need. Next, we eliminated the detailed labor force estimates for substate regions which are available in our *Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Report*. Instead, we added a table of comparative unemployment rates for the region - something many of you had requested.

While we realize, that many readers find the detailed substate numbers useful, we advise anyone who needs these numbers to request our *LAUS Report* which is generally mailed out two weeks earlier than *Economic Conditions*. In order to retain some of the substate statistics, we created the map on page 7 to highlight unemployment rates in different parts of the state. In this issue it gives unemployment rates in New Hampshire's ten counties. Beginning in March, it will have rates for the new labor market areas which were established in August 1993, based on commuting patterns data from the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census. January numbers will be the first published using these new labor market area definitions.

*EC* will continue to carry state and standard metropolitan statistical area nonagricultural employment jobs estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) Program. This is the only place we publish this series. We have dropped the tables with estimates of weekly hours and earnings of production workers. Our survey showed relatively little interest in this data series. We will continue to publish these numbers with the CES benchmarks in the March issue.

We dropped the section on labor exchange activity in our local offices because of lack of general reader interest. Calendar year labor exchange activity data can be found in our *Annual Report*.

We will continue to publish Unemployment Compensation data, though we have dropped the local office numbers and those for the various programs in favor of just statewide totals. Features such as "Hot off the press" and "Did you know" will continue to appear along with other new features.

If there are data elements that you use which have been left out of the new format, you may find that they are available in one of our other publications. Some of the "missing" numbers will appear from time to time in feature articles. One of the new *EC* features is a list of labor market information telephone numbers on page 7. If you need help in locating some of the data you need, please feel free to call us.

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New Hampshire Employment Security is bringing ALEX to the thirteen NHES offices across the State. ALEX is the Automated Labor Exchange, a computer-based Job Search Program that allows a user to search a database of job openings in the State of New Hampshire and hard to fill jobs from other states. ALEX was developed by America's Job Bank of the U.S. Department of Labor, and is accessed from terminals connected to a main frame computer.

**PC ALEX** allows ALEX to run on a Personal Computer (PC), no connection to a mainframe is required. Eventually, we hope **PC ALEX** will be available at supportive service agencies, other State agencies, libraries, and schools and colleges near you. **PC ALEX** is easy to use, the screens tell you what to do. Anyone can search for a job using **PC ALEX,** by using the computer keyboard to select options and look for work by occupational titles. For more information on jobs of interest, the user writes down the Job Number and then contacts their nearest NHES office for more information. The jobs listed are updated weekly through disks.

Other information on **PC ALEX** includes a directory of NHES offices across the State and an Upcoming Events screen. This screen lists activities, seminars, and workshops in the State dealing with labor, employment, and economic concerns available through NHES or other state, federal or community service agencies.

**PC ALEX** is one of the ways for anyone to look for work. It will soon be available in the NH Technical College and Institute System, and at the State library, as well as many city and town libraries. Community, state, and federal agencies are invited to make **PC ALEX** available for public use at their locations, and to list upcoming economic, labor, and employment events the public would benefit from knowing about.

Please call Sandy Cannata-Eno, Public Information Officer at 228-4191 for more information or questions on **PC ALEX,** or to list an upcoming event.

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# ECONOMIC CONDITIONS
# in New Hampshire

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**In this issue...**

Big changes coming in labor force estimating process.

New ***Vital Signs 1989 - 1992*** is back from printing.

- New Hampshire's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 5.3% was the lowest for any December since 1989. It showed no change from November's rate which, after labor force numbers were revised, did not shift from the preliminary estimate published in January's issue.
- The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December, stayed at 6.1%, also unchanged from November.
- From November to December, the New Hampshire labor force shrunk by nearly 10,000 workers to 642,440.
- For the first time in 1993 the labor force was smaller than in the same month in the prior year. However, employment at 608,200 was higher and unemployment at 34,240 was lower than the year before.
- The number of nonagricultural wage and salary jobs grew to 503,800 - near the 1986 level - but well below the boom years, 1987 to 1989.
- In December, retail trade jobs grew seasonally by 1,800; and services industry jobs grew by 800.
- December to December, total nonfarm jobs gained 9,600.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

### N.H. UNEMPLOYMENT IS BELOW U.S. RATE FOR EIGHTH STRAIGHT MONTH

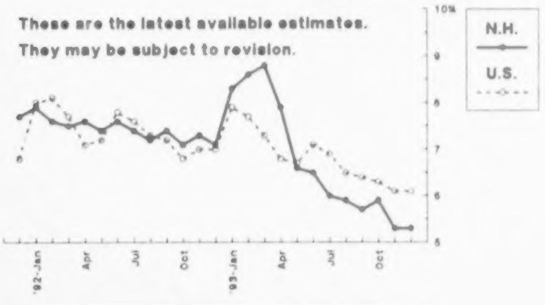

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

### SERVICE PRODUCING GAINS PUSH UP PRIVATE NONAG TOTALS; CONSTRUCTION AND MINING JOBS DECLINE IN THE 90s

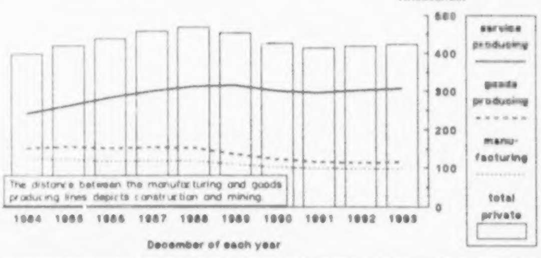

**Figure b.**
PRIVATE SERVICE vs GOODS PRODUCING JOBS IN DECEMBER NONAG EMPLOYMENT FROM 1984 TO 1993

### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | **Number of Workers** DECEMBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1993 | DECEMBER 1992 | **Net Change From Previous:** *Month* | *Year* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 642,440 | 652,200 | 644,330 | -9,760 | -1,890 |
| Employed | 34,240 | 34,360 | 45,600 | -120 | -11,360 |
| Unemployed | 5.3 | 5.3 | 7.1 | — | — |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 608,200 | 617,840 | 598,730 | -9,640 | 9,470 |

## NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR DECEMBER RANKS IN THE MIDDLE AMONG U.S. CENSUS DIVISIONS

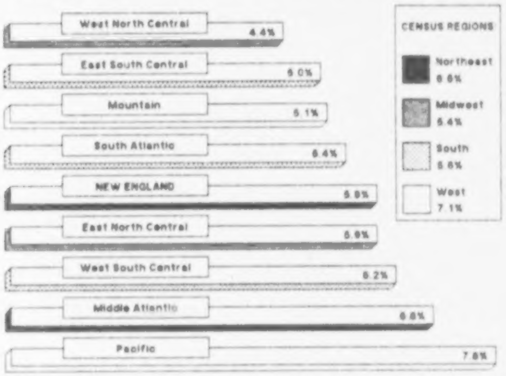

**Figure c.**
DECEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT IN U.S. CENSUS DIVISIONS

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | DECEMBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1993 | DECEMBER 1992 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.1% | 6.1% | 7.0% |
| - NEW HAMPSHIRE STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS - | | | |
| Manchester MSA | 4.7% | 5.1% | 6.6% |
| Nashua PMSA | 6.3% | 6.1% | 8.4% |
| Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester, NH-ME MSA | 4.2% | 4.1% | 4.9% |
| Lawrence-Haverhill, MA-NH PMSA | 7.7% | 8.0% | 9.3% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.5% | 7.0% | 9.4% |
| - IN THE REGION - | | | |
| Boston MA, PMSA | 4.8% | 5.2% | 6.8% |
| NEW ENGLAND | 5.9% | 6.0% | 7.8% |
| Connecticut | 5.9% | 6.3% | 7.4% |
| Maine | 7.8% | 8.2% | 7.2% |
| Massachusetts | 5.8% | 6.1% | 7.9% |
| New Hampshire | 5.3% | 5.3% | 7.1% |
| Rhode Island | 8.9% | 7.6% | 8.0% |
| Vermont | 4.4% | 4.5% | 6.0% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 6.7% | 5.9% | 7.8% |
| New York | 7.5% | 7.2% | 8.1% |
| Pennsylvania | 5.8% | 6.7% | 6.8% |

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# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

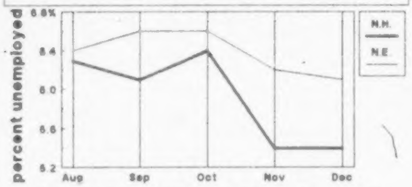
The New Hampshire seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December held steady at 5.4%. November's revised rate was unchanged at 5.4 percent. The U.S. adjusted rate for December was 6.4 percent, down 0.1 percentage points.

Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.3% | 6.1% | 6.4% | 5.4% | 5.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 642,290 | 648,540 | 649,760 | 651,060 | 638,060 |
| Number Employed | 601,650 | 609,280 | 608,300 | 615,600 | 603,310 |
| Number Unemployed | 40,640 | 39,260 | 41,460 | 35,460 | 34,750 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.7% | 6.7% | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,334 | 128,108 | 128,580 | 128,662 | 128,898 |
| Number Employed | 119,692 | 119,568 | 119,941 | 120,332 | 120,661 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,642 | 8,540 | 8,639 | 8,330 | 8,237 |

**Figure d.**

**N.H. AND N.E. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**N.H. RATE UNCHANGED; N.E. RATE FALLS FOR 2D MONTH**

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Aug-93 | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 488,000 | 491,500 | 495,900 | 493,900 | 495,400 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 |
| construction | 16,900 | 16,800 | 16,700 | 16,500 | 17,000 |
| manufacturing | 96,500 | 96,400 | 96,300 | 96,900 | 96,600 |
| durable goods | 65,100 | 64,900 | 64,700 | 65,100 | 64,800 |
| nondurable goods | 31,400 | 31,500 | 31,600 | 31,800 | 31,800 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 16,400 | 17,000 | 17,000 | 16,800 | 16,900 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 123,000 | 122,500 | 124,100 | 123,600 | 124,200 |
| wholesale trade | 21,700 | 21,900 | 21,900 | 21,700 | 21,600 |
| retail trade | 101,300 | 100,600 | 102,200 | 101,900 | 102,600 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,100 | 29,000 | 29,200 | 29,100 | 29,100 |
| services | 131,900 | 132,800 | 135,100 | 134,300 | 134,500 |
| government | 73,700 | 76,500 | 77,000 | 76,200 | 76,700 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

December's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs estimated to number 495,400. November's total revised to 493,900 jobs.

**1ST QUARTER GROWTH IN TRADE JOBS FIZZLES; SERVICES JOBS PUSH NONAG GROWTH IN 4TH QUARTER**

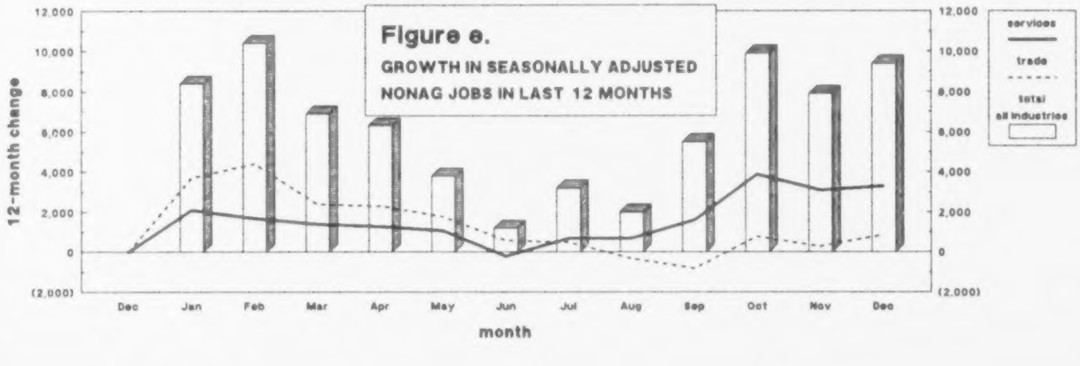


**Figure e.**

**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS IN LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY - NUMBER OF JOBS**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1992 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change** From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | DECEMBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1993 | DECEMBER 1992 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government | 503,800 | 499,800 | 494,200 | 4,000 | 9,600 |
| PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| Private Employment Total | 423,000 | 420,600 | 418,200 | 2,400 | 4,800 |
| Goods Producing (Private) Total | 115,200 | 116,000 | 114,000 | -800 | 1,200 |
| MINING | 400 | 500 | 400 | -100 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 17,200 | 17,900 | 16,000 | -700 | 1,200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 97,600 | 97,600 | 97,600 | 0 | 0 |
| Durable Goods Total* | 65,600 | 65,600 | 66,400 | 0 | -800 |
| Lumber and wood products | 3,900 | 4,000 | 4,000 | -100 | -100 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,200 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 100 | 200 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,800 | -100 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,800 | 0 | 200 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,500 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 100 | 200 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 19,300 | 19,400 | 20,400 | -100 | -1,100 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 13,900 | 13,800 | 13,200 | 100 | 700 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 11,000 | 11,000 | 11,800 | 0 | -800 |
| Nondurable Goods Total* | 32,000 | 32,000 | 31,200 | 0 | 800 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,400 | 0 | 300 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,600 | 0 | -500 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 0 | 100 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | -100 | -100 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,800 | 8,700 | 8,000 | 100 | 800 |
| Private Service Producing Total | 307,800 | 304,600 | 304,200 | 3,200 | 3,600 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 17,200 | 17,000 | 17,300 | 200 | -100 |
| Trade Total | 127,400 | 125,500 | 126,600 | 1,900 | 800 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 21,800 | 21,700 | 21,400 | 100 | 400 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 105,600 | 103,800 | 105,200 | 1,800 | 400 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,300 | 29,100 | 29,700 | 200 | -400 |
| SERVICES | 133,900 | 133,000 | 130,600 | 900 | 3,300 |
| Health Services | 41,700 | 41,300 | 42,100 | 400 | -400 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| Government Total | 80,800 | 79,200 | 76,000 | 1,600 | 4,800 |
| Federal | 8,400 | 7,700 | 8,200 | 700 | 200 |
| State | 23,300 | 22,900 | 20,000 | 400 | 3,300 |
| Local | 49,100 | 48,600 | 47,800 | 500 | 1,300 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| Service Producing Total | 388,600 | 383,800 | 380,200 | 4,800 | 8,400 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program** | **Manchester MSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH-ME MSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **NUMBER OF JOBS** by place of establishment, | DECEMBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER | From Previous | | DECEMBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER | From Previous | | DECEMBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER | From Previous | |
| benchmarked on March 1992 data | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private & Government** | 77,500 | 77,300 | 77,800 | 200 | -300 | 86,400 | 86,300 | 85,000 | 100 | 1,400 | 108,300 | 109,400 | 106,700 | -1,100 | 1,600 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** | 68,300 | 68,100 | 68,500 | 200 | -200 | 78,700 | 78,600 | 77,300 | 100 | 1,400 | 83,400 | 84,000 | 81,800 | -600 | 1,600 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** | 13,100 | 13,100 | 12,800 | 0 | 300 | 31,100 | 31,100 | 30,600 | 0 | 500 | 21,700 | 22,000 | 21,700 | -300 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,200 | 3,200 | 2,900 | 0 | 300 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 2,000 | -100 | 400 | 2,500 | 2,700 | 2,600 | -200 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 9,900 | 9,900 | 9,900 | 0 | 0 | 28,700 | 28,600 | 28,600 | 100 | 100 | 19,200 | 19,300 | 19,100 | -100 | 100 |
| **Durable Goods** | 5,800 | 5,800 | 6,000 | 0 | -200 | 22,600 | 22,500 | 22,600 | 100 | 0 | 11,500 | 11,600 | 11,400 | -100 | 100 |
| INDUS/COM MACHNRY *plus* ELEC/ELECTRON EQ | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,500 | 0 | 300 | 13,300 | 13,300 | 13,100 | 0 | 200 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods** | 4,100 | 4,100 | 3,900 | 0 | 200 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 6,000 | 0 | 100 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 0 | 0 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** | 55,200 | 55,000 | 55,700 | 200 | -500 | 47,600 | 47,500 | 46,700 | 100 | 900 | 61,700 | 62,000 | 60,100 | -300 | 1,600 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,400 | -100 | 100 | 3,500 | 3,400 | 2,800 | 100 | 700 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 100 | 200 |
| **Trade Total** | 19,600 | 19,200 | 19,700 | 400 | -100 | 20,600 | 20,600 | 20,900 | 0 | -300 | 28,500 | 29,000 | 27,600 | -500 | 900 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,700 | 0 | -200 | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,900 | 0 | -200 | 2,700 | 2,700 | 2,700 | 0 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 15,100 | 14,700 | 15,000 | 400 | -100 | 16,900 | 16,900 | 17,000 | 0 | -100 | 25,800 | 26,300 | 24,900 | -500 | 900 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,500 | 7,500 | 8,500 | 0 | -1,000 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 0 | 100 | 6,900 | 6,800 | 6,900 | 100 | 0 |
| SERVICES | 23,600 | 23,700 | 23,100 | -100 | 500 | 20,100 | 20,100 | 19,700 | 0 | 400 | 23,100 | 23,100 | 22,600 | 0 | 500 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total** | 9,200 | 9,200 | 9,300 | 0 | -100 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 0 | 0 | 24,900 | 25,400 | 24,900 | -500 | 0 |
| Federal | 2,800 | 2,500 | 2,800 | 300 | 0 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 7,000 | 7,300 | 8,500 | -300 | -1,500 |
| State | 800 | 900 | 900 | -100 | -100 | 400 | 500 | 400 | -100 | 0 | 7,900 | 8,100 | 6,000 | -200 | 1,900 |
| Local | 5,600 | 5,800 | 5,600 | -200 | 0 | 6,400 | 6,300 | 6,400 | 100 | 0 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,400 | 0 | -400 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** | 64,400 | 64,200 | 65,000 | 200 | -600 | 55,300 | 55,200 | 54,400 | 100 | 900 | 86,600 | 87,400 | 85,000 | -800 | 1,600 |

**Manchester MSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, and Hookset'.

**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA** -- includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth, the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Durham, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, Ogunquit, South Berwick, Wells, and York.

N.A. *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

## Verry Interresting...!

## New procedures may raise the state's unemployment estimate; U.S. rate may jump by 0.5%.

Our New Hampshire Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) estimates will undergo significant changes beginning with the January 1994 estimates, to be released on February 24 and published in the March issue of Economic Conditions. These changes are being implemented nationwide. They will affect the comparability of new labor force estimates to those previously published.

The following changes will impact our LAUS estimates:

**Redesign of the Current Population Statistics (CPS) Survey** - The CPS is the basic building block of our LAUS estimates. It is a monthly household survey conducted jointly by the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The comprehensive CPS redesign includes changes to the survey questionnaire to improve data accuracy, changed definitions, and expanded data collection. The data collection process has been streamlined by introducing the use of laptop computers by field interviewers.

Based on parallel trial runs, these CPS changes are expected to increase the U.S. unemployment rate estimates by 0.5% compared to the current methodology. We expect

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Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

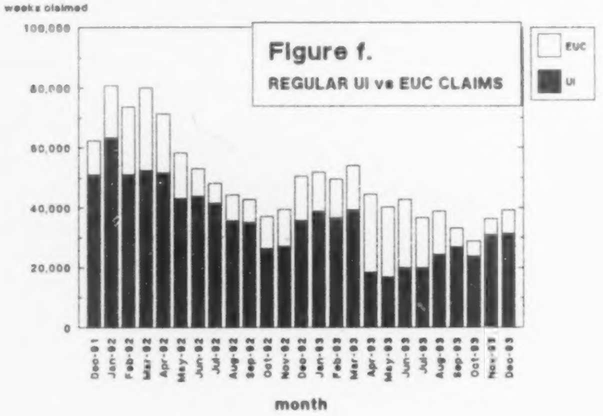
| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | DECEMBER 1993 | NOVEMBER 1993 | DECEMBER 1992 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 6,687 | 4,249 | 8,417 | 2,438 | 57.4% | (1,730) | -20.6% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 31,318 | 30,948 | 35,694 | 370 | 1.2% | (4,376) | -12.3% |
| FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 1,648 | 606 | 1,464 | 1,042 | 171.9% | 184 | 12.6% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 7,988 | 5,364 | 14,903 | 2,624 | 48.9% | (6,915) | -46.4% |

Continued weeks of regular unemployment compensation claimed increased by 2,438 from November, but were down by 20.6% from last December.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of December: $163,163,535.58
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $146.39
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $4,019,970.95
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $176,221.83
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

**EUC CONTINUED CLAIMS UP AGAIN BUT CAN'T COMPARE TO A-YEAR-AGO**



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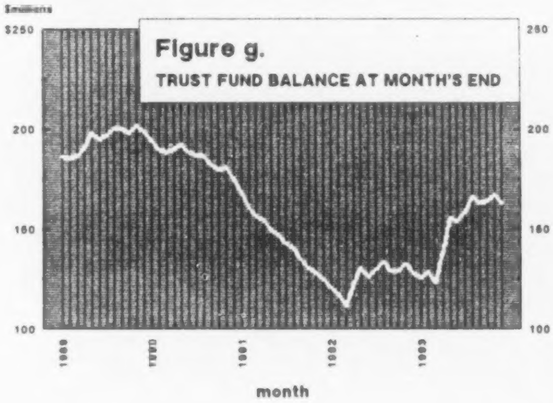

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it will also increase unemployment rates in New Hampshire, though probably not by as much.

**New population controls** based on the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census - New population controls are introduced to the LAUS methodology every ten years, when data becomes available from a new U.S. Decennial Census.

**Improved regression model** - New Hampshire has its own "regression model", created by BLS, which we apply to CPS data in order to better tailor the New Hampshire component of the national sample to our local conditions. This model has been improved so that LAUS estimates will more precisely reflect the conditions in our state.

**Redefinition of metropolitan and small labor market areas** based on 1990 Census data - This also takes place every ten years based on U.S. Census data. See page 8 of this issue for a "Did you know?" describing New Hampshire's new labor market area structure.

In the coming months, some of the most recent years of monthly LAUS data will be revised, using the 1990 population numbers and the new methodology, to provide an historical context for the new data series. Eventually the new methodology will be applied to the state monthly totals back to January 1979. However, there is no way to go back and redo CPS interviews to make the historical CPS LAUS foundational data comparable to that which is now being gathered under the new CPS redesign.

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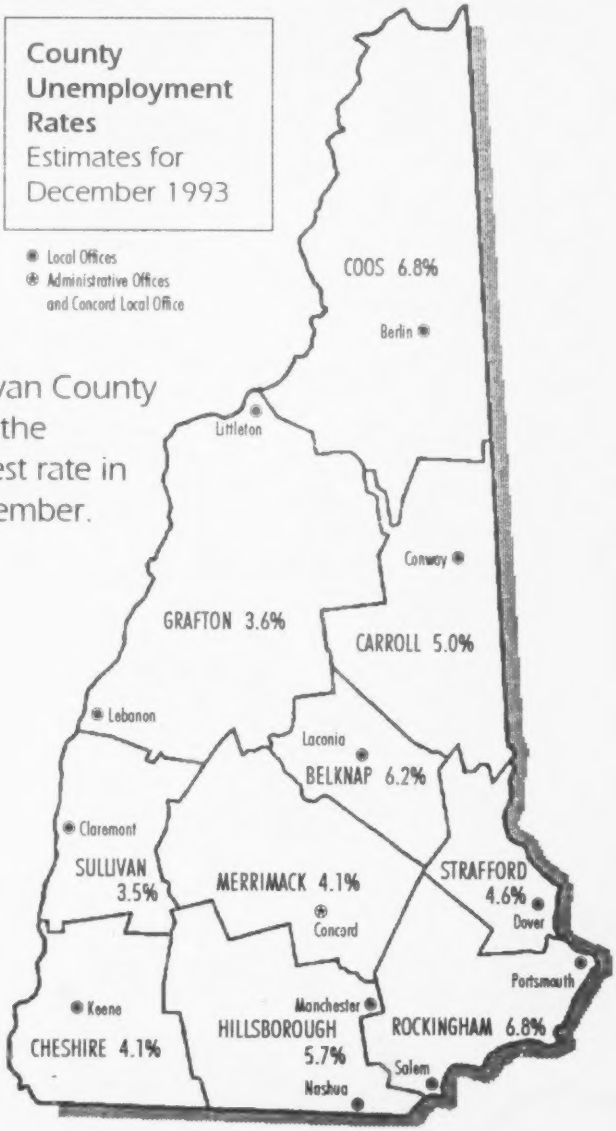

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CARROLL 5.0%
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Laconia
BELKNAP 6.2%
Claremont
SULLIVAN 3.5%
MERRIMACK 4.1%
Concord
STRAFFORD 4.6%
Dover
Portsmouth
Keene
Manchester
CHESHIRE 4.1%
HILLSBOROUGH 5.7%
ROCKINGHAM 6.8%
Salem
Nashua

Sullivan County had the lowest rate in December.

## United States CONSUMER PRICE INDEX for All Urban Areas (CPI-U)

| Index December 1993 | Index November 1993 | Index December 1992 | Change from Previous Month | Change from Previous Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 145.8 | 145.8 | 141.9 | 0.0% | 2.7% |

Indexed on 1982-1984 = 100

# Did you know?

## Every ten years, our labor market areas change.

Our New Hampshire labor market areas have been redefined. Beginning in our February issue with the January 1994 numbers, we will be reporting labor market information for twelve [Small] Labor Market Areas (LMAs) and six Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas (PMSAs) [all part of the Boston Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area (CMSA)]. The new total of eighteen labor market areas is six more than the number that we have been reporting data for during the past ten years (4 metropolitan statistical areas, 7 LMAs, and an unattached estimating area).

Every ten years, the Nation's system of labor market areas is reevaluated and redefined, using the latest Decennial Census information on the population and commuting patterns. The Federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is responsible for redefining Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas (SMSAs). These consist of CMSAs, MSAs (Metropolitan Statistical Areas), and PMSAs. The U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) redefines the LMAs. Late in the summer of 1993, BLS, with input from New Hampshire Employment Security, finalized new definitions of New Hampshire's LMAs. This followed the work done by OMB in the spring establishing six PMSAs which contain New Hampshire cities and towns.

***Highlights of the labor market area redefinitions:***
The highlights of these redefinitions are the separating of the Conway area from the Berlin LMA and the separating of the Lebanon-Hanover area from the Claremont LMA. For the first time LMAs have been defined that cross state borders. The Lebanon-Hanover area is included in a Hartford-Lebanon, VT-NH LMA. The Keene-Brattleboro, NH-VT LMA is our other new LMA that crosses state lines. We already had SMSA's that crossed state lines. Other new LMAs are the Colebrook, Lancaster, Plymouth, and Peterborough LMAs. The southeastern towns of South Hampton and Seabrook have been annexed to the Boston, MA-NH PMSA. There are no longer any "unattached" towns. For more information about the new labor market areas and a map showing their boundaries see our User's Guide to Labor Market Information, revised in October 1993.

*Peter S. Bartlett*

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# Hot off the press -

***Vital Signs: New Hampshire Economic and Social Indicators 1989-1992***. 59 pages, December 1993.

A compendium of economic and social data, gathered from many sources, that provides an overview of the New Hampshire economy in the years 1989 through 1992. Includes narrative analysis and accompanying tables and charts which chronicle the state's fall from economic boom into recession, and trace the beginnings of the long-awaited uphill climb into recovery.

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**In this issue...**

January estimates use new Labor Market Areas and Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

**Supplement -** Nonag benchmarks for 1992 and 1993

Attached is a map of the new Labor Market Areas and Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas

- The New Hampshire not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January declined to 5.5 percent, dropping 0.5 percentage points from the revised estimate of 6.0 percent for December. The January 1993 rate was 8.1 percent.
- The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased , in January, to 7.3 percent, 1.3 percentage points higher than December. One year ago the national rate was 7.9 percent.
- The state's labor force grew to 625,490. January employment increased 7,300 to 590,830. Unemployment fell by 2,830 to 34,660.
- New Hampshire nonfarm jobs estimates fell, seasonally, to 501,500, down 10,700 jobs from December's revised total of 512,200.
- January manufacturing employment decreased 800. Seasonal declines were felt in construction employment down 1,300 jobs over the month; and in retail trade down 4,700 jobs.
- New Hampshire's January-to-January nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased 18,000 jobs. Over the year, services employment grew by 8,500 jobs and retail trade by 4,000.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

### N.H. & U.S. RATES DIVERGE SHARPLY IN JANUARY. IS IT REAL OR THE REVISED CPS?

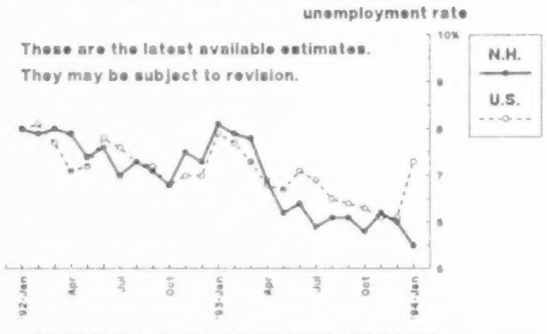

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

### NEW BENCHMARK NONAG ESTIMATES SHOW BETTER JOBS GAINS THAN PRIOR ESTIMATES

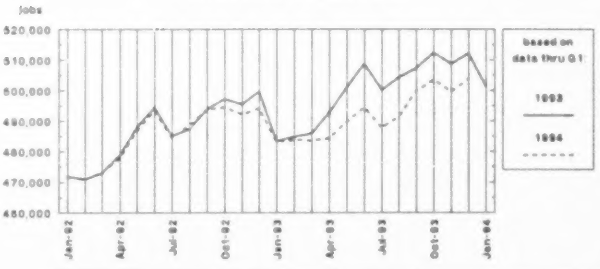

**Figure b.**
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY JOBS IN NH ESTIMATES BENCHMARKED ON 1993 DATA VS 1992 DATA

Table 1. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers JANUARY 1994 | DECEMBER 1993 | JANUARY 1993 | Net Change From Previous Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 625,490 | 621,020 | 616,390 | 4,470 | 9,100 |
| Employed | 590,830 | 583,530 | 566,400 | 7,300 | 24,430 |
| Unemployed | 34,660 | 37,490 | 49,990 | -2,830 | -15,330 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 5.5 | 6.0 | 8.1 | — | — |

Table 2. **NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES *(by place of residence)* | JANUARY 1994 | DECEMBER 1993 | JANUARY 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 7.3% | 6.0% | 7.9% |
| - NEW HAMPSHIRE STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS - | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 6.0% | 5.2% | 7.8% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.7% | 6.0% | 7.9% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 5.0% | 5.4% | 7.1% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Boston, MA PMSA | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| - IN THE REGION - | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 7.4% | 6.0% | 8.1% |
| Connecticut | 5.0% | 5.5% | 7.1% |
| Maine | 11.0% | 7.7% | 8.9% |
| Massachusetts | 7.6% | 5.8% | 8.5% |
| New Hampshire | 5.5% | 6.0% | 8.1% |
| Rhode Island | 11.3% | 7.7% | 8.8% |
| Vermont | 6.0% | 4.7% | 7.4% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 7.3% | 6.7% | 8.0% |
| New York | 8.2% | 7.5% | 9.3% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.7% | 5.8% | 8.2% |

March 18, 1994

## We're Late -

We delayed this month's issue in order to bring you local area employment and unemployment estimates. Because of the many changes in the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, the estimates were not available until this week. In fact, the numbers involving the areas shared with Massachusetts were still not finalized at press time because they were still having trouble running their new macro model. That is why some of the areas show "n.a." for not available. The estimates that are published in this issue, including the supplement, are based on the new labor market areas and primary metropolitan statistical areas which were established in 1993 using commuting patterns data from the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census.

We expect that by the end of this month the bugs will be worked out in the LAUS program so that we will be able to publish our next issue on schedule.

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## Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

January's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for New Hampshire was 4.8 percent; the national seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January was 6.7 percent.

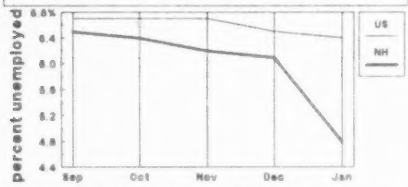
Table 3. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.2% | 6.1% | 4.8% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 622,320 | 623,180 | 622,660 | 621,500 | 627,000 |
| Number Employed | 581,980 | 583,210 | 583,830 | 583,760 | 596,800 |
| Number Unemployed | 40,340 | 39,970 | 38,830 | 37,740 | 30,200 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.7% | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.7% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,108 | 128,580 | 128,662 | 128,898 | 130,667 |
| Number Employed | 119,568 | 119,941 | 120,332 | 120,661 | 121,971 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,540 | 8,639 | 8,330 | [illegible]237 | 8,696 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

**Figure c.**

NH AND US UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS



US AND NH ADJUSTED RATES DIVERGE SHARPLY

Table 4. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

| Industry | Sep-93 | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 501,400 | 504,400 | 504,000 | 504,600 | 508,400 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 300 |
| construction | 17,000 | 17,200 | 17,600 | 17,000 | 18,100 |
| manufacturing | 96,600 | 96,700 | 97,100 | 97,100 | 96,800 |
| durable goods | 65,000 | 65,000 | 65,300 | 65,300 | 65,100 |
| nondurable goods | 31,600 | 31,700 | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,700 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 18,000 | 17,900 | 17,900 | 18,000 | 18,300 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 129,100 | 129,200 | 129,000 | 129,300 | 129,900 |
| wholesale trade | 23,000 | 23,000 | 22,800 | 22,800 | 22,900 |
| retail trade | 106,100 | 106,200 | 106,200 | 106,500 | 107,000 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,800 | 29,900 | 29,900 | 29,900 | 30,100 |
| services | 138,600 | 138,700 | 138,500 | 138,200 | 139,800 |
| government | 71,800 | 74,500 | 73,900 | 74,100 | 75,100 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment for January gained 3,800 jobs. December's estimate was revised upward to 504,600.

SERVICES AND TRADE ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF THE NONAG JOBS GROWTH OVER THE YEAR

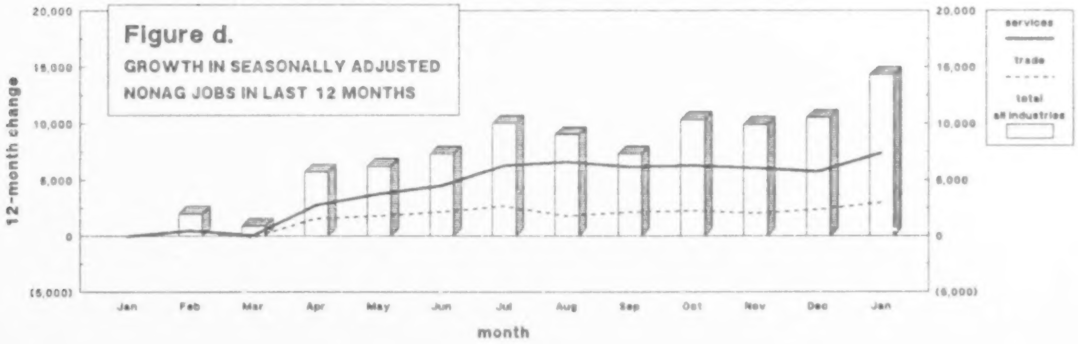


**Figure d.**

GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS IN LAST 12 MONTHS

## Table 5. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program<br>EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY - NUMBER OF JOBS<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | Number of Jobs<br>JANUARY 1994 | <br>DECEMBER 1993 | <br>JANUARY 1993 | Net Change From Previous<br>Month | <br>Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government | 501,500 | 512,200 | 483,500 | -10,700 | 18,000 |
| PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| Private Employment Total | 426,900 | 434,000 | 411,300 | -7,100 | 15,600 |
| Goods Producing (Private) Total | 113,000 | 115,200 | 111,500 | -2,200 | 1,500 |
| MINING | 300 | 400 | 400 | -100 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 15,800 | 17,100 | 13,900 | -1,300 | 1,900 |
| MANUFACTURING | 96,900 | 97,700 | 97,200 | -800 | -300 |
| Durable Goods Total* | 65,200 | 65,700 | 65,800 | -500 | -600 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | -100 | -100 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,100 | 0 | 200 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 2,000 | 1,800 | -100 | 100 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,300 | 4,200 | 3,900 | 100 | 400 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,100 | 0 | 300 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,200 | 18,500 | 19,600 | -300 | -1,400 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 14,000 | 14,200 | 13,300 | -200 | 700 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 11,100 | 11,100 | 11,700 | 0 | -600 |
| Nondurable Goods Total* | 31,700 | 32,000 | 31,400 | -300 | 300 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 0 | 0 |
| Textile mill products | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 0 | 100 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,100 | 0 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,900 | -100 | -400 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,400 | 0 | 300 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,700 | 1,900 | 2,000 | -200 | -300 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,000 | 0 | 500 |
| Private Service Producing Total | 313,900 | 318,800 | 299,800 | -4,900 | 14,100 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 18,100 | 18,300 | 17,400 | -200 | 700 |
| Trade Total | 127,900 | 132,800 | 123,600 | -4,900 | 4,300 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 22,600 | 22,800 | 22,300 | -200 | 300 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 105,300 | 110,000 | 101,300 | -4,700 | 4,000 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,800 | 30,100 | 29,200 | -300 | 600 |
| SERVICES | 138,100 | 137,600 | 129,600 | 500 | 8,500 |
| Health Services | 42,000 | 41,900 | 41,300 | 100 | 700 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| Government Total | 74,600 | 78,200 | 72,200 | -3,600 | 2,400 |
| Federal | 7,600 | 8,300 | 7,500 | -700 | 100 |
| State | 19,700 | 21,600 | 18,500 | -1,900 | 1,200 |
| Local | 47,300 | 48,300 | 46,200 | -1,000 | 1,100 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| Service Producing Total | 388,500 | 397,000 | 372,000 | -8,500 | 16,500 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

Table 6. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program | Manchester PMSA | | | | | Nashua PMSA | | | | | Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY | Number of Jobs | | | Change | | Number of Jobs | | | Change | | Number of Jobs | | | Change | |
| NUMBER OF JOBS by place of establishment, | JANUARY | DECEMBER | JANUARY | From Previous | | JANUARY | DECEMBER | JANUARY | From Previous | | JANUARY | DECEMBER | JANUARY | From Previous | |
| benchmarked on March 1993 data | 1994 | 1993 | 1993 | Month | Year | 1994 | 1993 | 1993 | Month | Year | 1994 | 1993 | 1993 | Month | Year |
| TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private & Government | 85,200 | 87,200 | 82,400 | -2,000 | 2,800 | 79,600 | 81,200 | 78,400 | -1,600 | 1,200 | 98,700 | 103,500 | 96,300 | -4,800 | 2,400 |
| PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private Employment Total | 75,000 | 76,600 | 72,500 | -1,600 | 2,500 | 72,500 | 74,000 | 71,300 | -1,500 | 1,200 | 77,000 | 79,800 | 74,500 | -2,800 | 2,500 |
| Goods Producing (Private) Total | 14,500 | 14,700 | 14,000 | -200 | 500 | 28,500 | 28,800 | 29,300 | -300 | -800 | 19,400 | 19,900 | 19,500 | -500 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,100 | 3,300 | 2,700 | -200 | 400 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,000 | -100 | 0 | 2,000 | 2,400 | 2,200 | -400 | -200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 0 | 100 | 26,500 | 26,700 | 27,300 | -200 | -800 | 17,400 | 17,500 | 17,300 | -100 | 100 |
| Durable Goods | 6,900 | 6,900 | 7,100 | 0 | -200 | 20,800 | 21,100 | 21,300 | -300 | -500 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 10,000 | 0 | 100 |
| INDUS/COM MACHNRY *plus* ELEC/ELECTRON EQ | 3,300 | 3,300 | 2,900 | 0 | 400 | 11,600 | 11,800 | 12,100 | -200 | -500 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| Nondurable Goods | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,200 | 0 | 300 | 5,700 | 5,600 | 6,000 | 100 | -300 | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,300 | -100 | 0 |
| Private Service Producing Total | 60,500 | 61,900 | 58,500 | -1,400 | 2,000 | 44,000 | 45,200 | 42,000 | -1,200 | 2,000 | 57,600 | 59,900 | 55,000 | -2,300 | 2,600 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,200 | 0 | 300 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,000 | -100 | 500 |
| Trade Total | 21,300 | 21,900 | 21,300 | -600 | 0 | 19,900 | 20,400 | 19,500 | -500 | 400 | 23,900 | 25,900 | 23,900 | -2,000 | 0 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,800 | 4,800 | 5,300 | 0 | -500 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 0 | 100 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,100 | -100 | 100 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,500 | 17,100 | 16,000 | -600 | 500 | 16,500 | 17,000 | 16,200 | -500 | 300 | 20,700 | 22,600 | 20,800 | -1,900 | -100 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,100 | 7,400 | 7,500 | -300 | -400 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,000 | -100 | 200 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,600 | 0 | 200 |
| SERVICES | 26,600 | 27,100 | 24,500 | -500 | 2,100 | 18,700 | 19,300 | 17,500 | -600 | 1,200 | 23,400 | 23,600 | 21,500 | -200 | 1,900 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Government Total | 10,200 | 10,600 | 9,900 | -400 | 300 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,100 | -100 | 0 | 21,700 | 23,700 | 21,800 | -2,000 | -100 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 3,000 | 2,500 | -500 | 0 | 800 | 900 | 900 | -100 | -100 | 6,400 | 6,600 | 7,700 | -200 | -1,300 |
| State | 1,200 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 100 | 100 | 500 | 400 | 500 | 100 | 0 | 5,400 | 6,800 | 4,500 | -1,400 | 900 |
| Local | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,300 | 0 | 200 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 5,700 | -100 | 100 | 9,900 | 10,300 | 9,600 | -400 | 300 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Service Producing Total | 70,700 | 72,500 | 68,400 | -1,800 | 2,300 | 51,100 | 52,400 | 49,100 | -1,300 | 2,000 | 79,300 | 83,600 | 76,800 | -4,300 | 2,500 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** -- includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth; the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood,, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, and York.

N.A. *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

## Did you know?

Workers who did not graduate from college, roughly 75 percent of the labor force, have seen their real earnings (earnings adjusted for inflation) decline 30 percent during the past 15 years, according to a February 15, 1994 *USA TODAY* article written by Beth Belton, based on information from various public and private sources. For high school dropouts, earnings fell 38 percent. During the same period, however, the real earnings of college educated workers rose 2 percent.

Median pay for a man without a college degree is about $25,000 a year versus $38,300 a year for a man who has a college degree.

### What you earn will depend on what you learn!

For women, the earning gap is just as wide and more discouraging because women earn far less on average than men. Median pay for a women with a high school diploma is about $17,500 a year versus $28,300 a year for a women who has graduated from a four-year college.

The pay gap is expected to get worse as automation continues to replace factory jobs, which are among the highest paying jobs that do not require more than a high school diploma. Today, 20 percent of the nation's jobs are in factories, mines, or construction (goods producing

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Table 7. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| New Hampshire Employment Security<br>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION<br>CLAIMS ACTIVITY | JANUARY 1994 | DECEMBER 1993 | JANUARY 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 5,258 | 6,687 | 5,459 | -1,429 | -21.4% | -201 | -3.7% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 35,825 | 31,318 | 38,883 | 4,507 | 14.4% | -3,058 | -7.9% |
| FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 900 | 1,648 | 1,127 | -748 | -45.4% | -227 | -20.1% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 6,350 | 7,988 | 13,002 | -1,638 | -20.5% | -6,652 | -51.2% |

Continued weeks of regular unemployment compensation claimed increased from December, but initial claims fell off by 14.4%.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of January: $162,077,777.04
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $146.24
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $4,279,934.78
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $3,194,176.24
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

**TOTAL CONTINUED CLAIMS UP SEASONALLY**
**UI CLAIMS GAIN AS EUC CLAIMS SLIP**

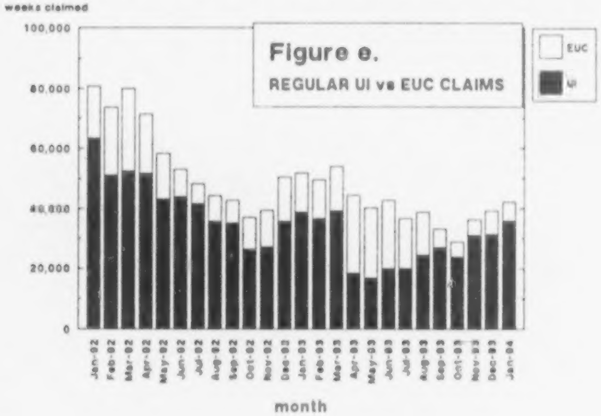
**Figure e.**
REGULAR UI vs EUC CLAIMS

**TRUST FUND HUNG UP HALFWAY**
**BETWEEN 1989 PEAK AND 1992 TROUGH**

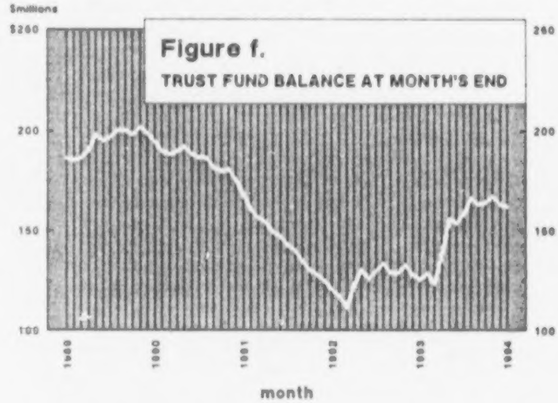
**Figure f.**
TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

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jobs). Twenty years ago, one-third of the nation's workers held those jobs.

Over the next 13 years it is estimated, by the Labor Department, that 26 million jobs will be created, of which only one million will be in factory, mining, or construction while the remaining 25 million will be in the services sector. Some of these new services jobs will require college or specialized training. However, 70 percent or more are projected to be low paying jobs with few opportunities for advancement and less security than a typical factory job.

Of the ten occupations expected to add the most jobs over the next 20 years, only two will require a college degree: registered nurses and systems analysts. The others: retail salesclerk, cashiers, general office clerks, truck drivers, waiters and waitresses, nursing aides and orderlies, janitors and cleaners, and food preparation workers.

The bottom line is: what you earn will depend on what you learn!

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

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## County Unemployment Rates -
Estimates for January 1994

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 6.8% | Hillsborough | 5.6% |
| Carroll | 5.5% | Merrimack | 4.5% |
| Cheshire | 5.1% | Rockingham | 6.3% |
| Coos | 7.0% | Strafford | 5.3% |
| Grafton | 4.1% | Sullivan | 5.1% |

**New Hampshire Employment Security Local Offices:**

| | |
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| Berlin | (603) 752-5500 |
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| Laconia | (603) 524-3960 |
| Lebanon | (603) 448-6340 |
| Littleton | (603) 444-2971 |
| Manchester | (603) 627-7841 |
| Nashua | (603) 882-5177 |
| Portsmouth | (603) 436-3702 |
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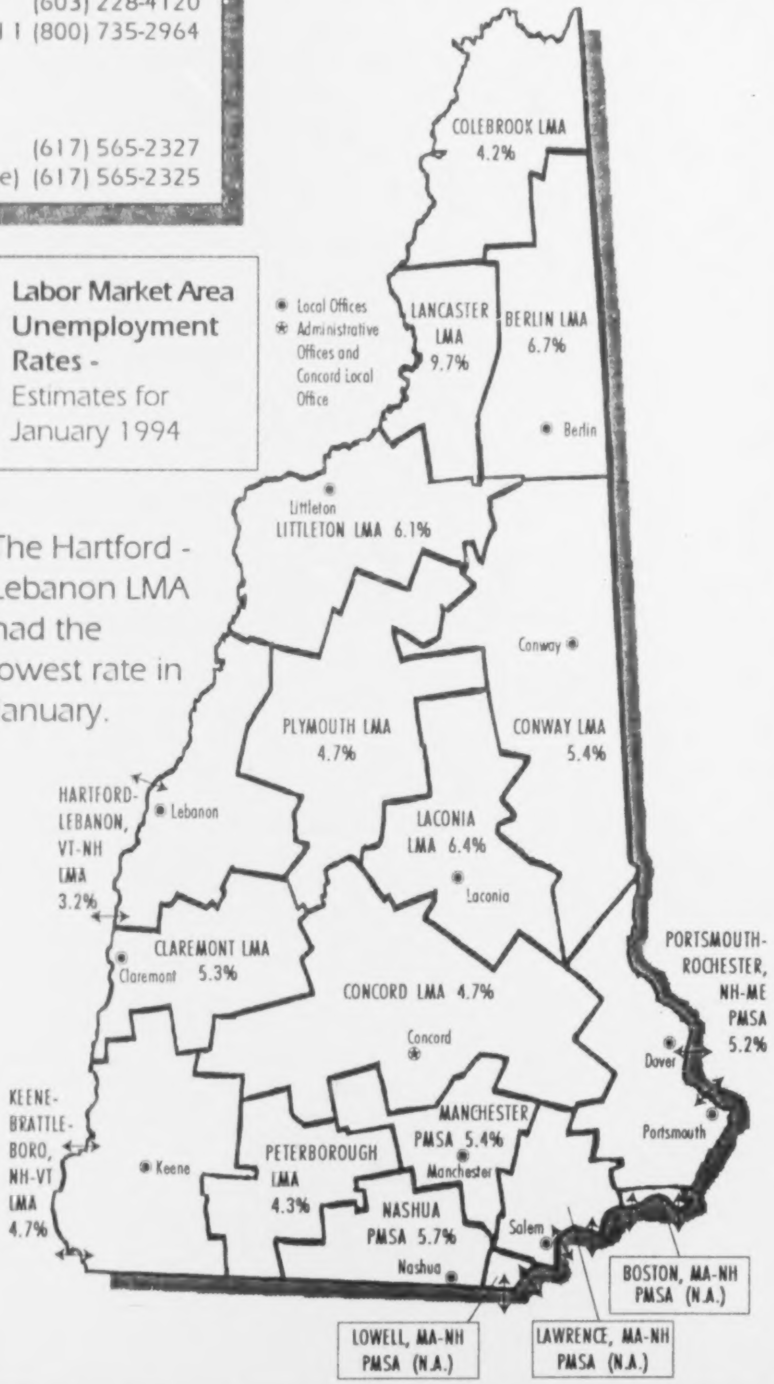
## Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates -
Estimates for January 1994

The Hartford - Lebanon LMA had the lowest rate in January.



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Conway
PLYMOUTH LMA 4.7%
CONWAY LMA 5.4%
HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 3.2%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 6.4%
Laconia
CLAREMONT LMA 5.3%
Claremont
CONCORD LMA 4.7%
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PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA 5.2%
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Manchester
NASHUA PMSA 5.7%
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## 1992 and 1993 Nonagricultural Jobs Estimates Benchmarked

In a supplement attached to this month's *Economic Conditions* you will find the 1993 (preliminary) and the 1992 (final) New Hampshire Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment benchmark estimates, including average earnings and hours of production workers in manufacturing industries. Each month in *EC* we publish preliminary and revised monthly, not seasonally adjusted, estimates of nonagricultural wage and salary employment in Tables 5 and 6. These estimates, by place of employment, are based on data from the Current Employment Survey (CES), a monthly sample survey of employing establishments. It is operated in a nationwide partnership between state employment security agencies and the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. The CES program was devised to provide more timely data than is available from "covered employment" or "ES-202" data, collected by state employment security agencies from employers covered by unemployment compensation law. Covered employment data for a quarter is usually not available until two quarters later.

*Like most estimates based on sample surveys, conducted on a regular basis, the CES program has, built into it, a regular series of revisions.* Preliminary monthly estimates are revised the following month. At year's end, ES-202 data is available for all four quarters of the previous calendar year (1992 in this case); so the monthly nonag estimates for that year can be revised into a "Final Benchmark", completing the estimating cycle for that year. After that final benchmark is complete, and some ES-202 program data is available for the following year (usually the first quarter) to "benchmark" estimates against, the entire twelve months of that year (1993) are revised in a "Preliminary Benchmark".

We publish benchmarked CES estimates in *Economic Conditions in New Hampshire*, usually in March. You should replace any monthly estimates or preliminary benchmark estimates that you have in a database with the benchmarked figures. Tables in *Economic Conditions* comparing new CES estimates to estimates for prior months refer back to the *benchmark* figures rather than to numbers published each month.

**What Does the New Benchmark Show?**

The new benchmark for 1992 does not differ significantly from prior estimates (see *Figure b*). From February through July 1993, nonag jobs levels increase more rapidly in the benchmark estimates than in the month to month estimates. From then to the end of the year the two lines come back together slightly. The benchmarked annual average nonag total showed an increase of just 1.65% over the averaged monthly estimates. That is an increase from 492,200 jobs to the revised total of 500,300. Note that the April to December 1993 estimates are based just on *employer sample* input. We will *revise* them a year from now with completed 1993 covered jobs data.

Growth in the number of service producing industry jobs more than accounted for the rise nonag jobs. Goods producing industries totals were revised downward by 100. As with last year's benchmark, undercounting continued in the retail trade industries division. Its jobs numbers were boosted by 2,600. Several national retail chains have moved into the state over the last few years. With the industry still very much in flux, it is no wonder that the Current Employment Survey sample was unable to keep up with the rapid changes. Some of the retail trade growth may have spun out into the wholesale trade industry, which was revised upward by 1,100. The services industries also seems to be a division that is hard to keep up with. It gained more jobs than we had thought. The benchmark raised the services division jobs numbers by 3,500. Services businesses started up in recent years might have been underrepresented in the sample. The establishment survey has been criticized, at times, for being slow to incorporate new businesses.

Estimates of government jobs were revised downward just slightly, as local government grew slightly less rapidly than we had previously thought.

*Peter S. Bartlett*

### United States CONSUMER PRICE INDEX for All Urban Areas (CPI-U)

| Index | | | Change from Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| January 1994 | December 1993 | January 1993 | Month | Year |
| 142.6 | 145.8 | 146.2 | 0.3% | 2.5% |

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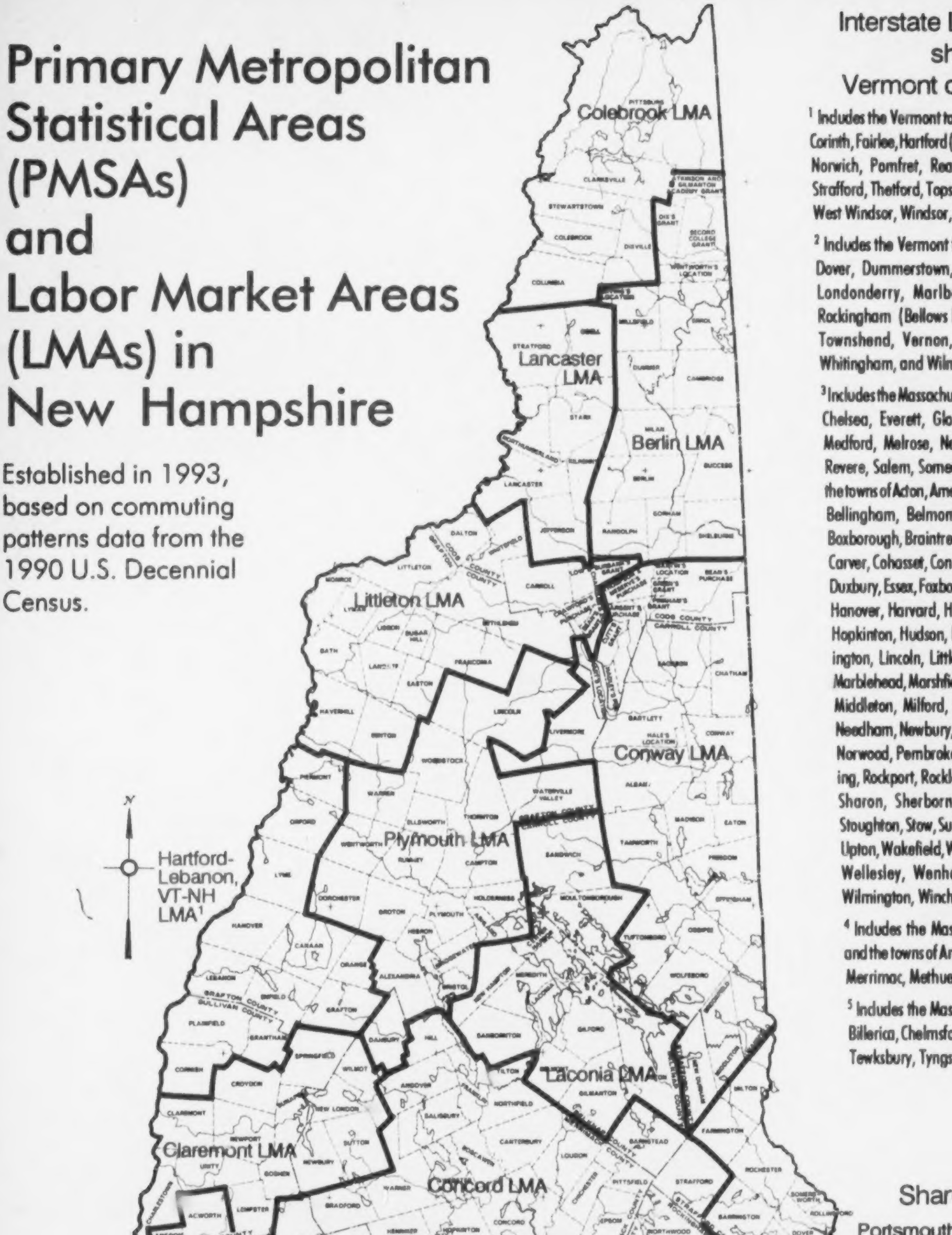
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Lowell MA-NH PMSA[5]

## Interstate LMAs and PMSAs shared with Vermont or Massachusetts:

[1] Includes the Vermont towns of Barnard, Bradford, Bridgewater, Corinth, Fairlee, Hartford (White River Junction), Hartland, Newbury, Norwich, Pomfret, Reading, Royalton, Sharon, Stockbridge, Strafford, Thetford, Topsham, Tunbridge, Vershire, West Fairlee, West Windsor, Windsor, and Woodstock.

[2] Includes the Vermont towns of Athens, Brattleboro, Brookline, Dover, Dummerstown, Grafton, Guilford, Halifax, Jamaica, Londonderry, Marlboro, Newfane, Putney, Readsboro, Rockingham (Bellows Falls), Searsburg, Somersett, Stratton, Townshend, Vernon, Wardsboro, Westminster, Weston, Whitingham, and Wilmington.

[3] Includes the Massachusetts cities of Beverly, Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Gloucester, Lynn, Malden, Marlborough, Medford, Melrose, Newburyport, Newton, Peabody, Quincy, Revere, Salem, Somerville, Taunton, Waltham, Woburn; and the towns of Acton, Amesbury, Arlington, Ashland, Ayer, Bedford, Bellingham, Belmont, Berkley, Berlin, Blackstone, Bolton, Boxborough, Braintree, Brookline, Burlington, Canton, Carlisle, Carver, Cohasset, Concord, Danvers, Dedham, Dighton, Dover, Duxbury, Essex, Foxborough, Framingham, Franklin, Hamilton, Hanover, Harvard, Hingham, Holbrook, Holliston, Hopedale, Hopkinton, Hudson, Hull, Ipswich, Kingstown, Lancaster, Lexington, Lincoln, Littleton, Lynnfield, Manchester, Mansfield, Marblehead, Marshfield, Maynard, Medfield, Medway, Mendon, Middleton, Milford, Millis, Millville, Milton, Nahant, Natick, Needham, Newbury, Norfolk, North Reading, Norton, Norwell, Norwood, Pembroke, Plainville, Plymouth, Randolph, Reading, Rockport, Rockland, Rowley, Salisbury, Saugus, Scituate, Sharon, Sherborn, Shirley, Southborough, Stoneham, Stoughton, Stow, Sudbury, Swampscott, Topsfield, Townsend, Upton, Wakefield, Walpole, Wareham, Watertown, Wayland, Wellesley, Wenham, Weston, Westwood, Weymouth, Wilmington, Winchester, Winthrop, and Wrentham.

[4] Includes the Massachusetts cities of Haverhill, Lawrence, and the towns of Andover, Boxford, Georgetown, Groveland, Merrimac, Methuen, North Andover, and West Newbury.

[5] Includes the Massachusetts city of Lowell and the towns of Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Dunstable, Groton, Pepperell, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, and Westford.

## Shared with Maine:

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| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | Includes the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, York |

## 1993 (preliminary) NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 483,500 | 485,000 | 486,000 | 492,900 | 501,200 | 508,800 | 500,400 | 504,500 | 507,500 | 512,500 | 508,700 | 512,200 | 500,300 |
| Total Private | 411,300 | 409,500 | 409,100 | 416,200 | 424,900 | 435,400 | 436,700 | 439,400 | 435,800 | 435,400 | 431,800 | 434,000 | 426,600 |
| Goods Producing | 111,500 | 110,900 | 110,600 | 112,400 | 114,400 | 115,900 | 114,500 | 116,700 | 116,600 | 116,500 | 116,200 | 115,200 | 114,300 |
| Mining | 400 | 300 | 300 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 400 |
| Construction | 13,900 | 13,500 | 13,600 | 15,100 | 17,000 | 18,000 | 19,000 | 19,300 | 18,900 | 18,600 | 18,000 | 17,100 | 16,800 |
| Manufacturing | 97,200 | 97,100 | 96,700 | 96,900 | 96,900 | 97,400 | 95,000 | 96,900 | 97,200 | 97,400 | 97,700 | 97,700 | 97,000 |
| Durable Goods* | 65,800 | 65,600 | 65,300 | 65,200 | 65,500 | 65,800 | 64,500 | 65,200 | 65,300 | 65,500 | 65,700 | 65,700 | 65,400 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 3,900 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Prod. | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 1,900 |
| Primary Metal Products | 3,900 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,100 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,000 | 7,200 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,200 |
| Industrial Machinery | 19,600 | 19,400 | 19,000 | 18,800 | 18,900 | 18,800 | 18,500 | 18,600 | 18,500 | 18,500 | 18,500 | 18,500 | 18,800 |
| Electronic Equipment | 13,300 | 13,300 | 13,300 | 13,400 | 13,500 | 13,700 | 13,700 | 13,700 | 14,100 | 14,100 | 14,200 | 14,200 | 13,700 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,000 |
| Instruments and Related Prod. | 11,700 | 11,700 | 11,700 | 11,700 | 11,600 | 11,600 | 11,300 | 11,400 | 11,200 | 11,100 | 11,100 | 11,100 | 11,400 |
| Nondurable Goods* | 31,400 | 31,500 | 31,400 | 31,700 | 31,400 | 31,600 | 30,500 | 31,700 | 31,900 | 31,900 | 32,000 | 32,000 | 31,600 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 |
| Textile Mill Products | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,500 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 2,100 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 2,200 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,200 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 4,900 | 4,800 | 4,800 | 5,200 | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,700 |
| Printing and Publishing | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 7,500 | 7,500 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,500 |
| Leather and Leather Prod. | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 1,800 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 1,900 | 2,000 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics | 8,000 | 8,000 | 7,900 | 7,900 | 8,000 | 8,100 | 7,600 | 8,200 | 8,400 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,100 |
| Service Producing | 372,000 | 374,100 | 375,400 | 380,500 | 386,800 | 392,900 | 385,900 | 387,800 | 390,900 | 396,000 | 392,500 | 397,000 | 386,000 |
| Private Service Producing | 299,800 | 298,600 | 298,500 | 303,800 | 310,500 | 319,500 | 322,200 | 322,700 | 319,200 | 318,900 | 315,600 | 318,800 | 312,300 |
| Transport & Pub Utils. | 17,400 | 17,400 | 17,400 | 17,800 | 18,000 | 18,400 | 17,600 | 17,400 | 18,500 | 18,400 | 18,100 | 18,300 | 17,900 |
| Trade | 123,600 | 121,900 | 121,400 | 124,700 | 127,700 | 131,600 | 132,300 | 132,600 | 130,000 | 130,500 | 130,600 | 132,800 | 128,300 |
| Wholesale Trade | 22,300 | 22,400 | 22,500 | 23,000 | 23,300 | 23,600 | 23,700 | 23,000 | 23,100 | 23,000 | 22,700 | 22,800 | 23,000 |
| Retail Trade | 101,300 | 99,500 | 98,900 | 101,700 | 104,400 | 108,000 | 108,600 | 109,600 | 106,900 | 107,500 | 107,900 | 110,000 | 105,400 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 29,200 | 29,200 | 29,300 | 29,300 | 29,600 | 30,200 | 30,500 | 30,400 | 29,900 | 29,900 | 29,900 | 30,100 | 29,800 |
| Service Industry and Other | 129,600 | 130,100 | 130,400 | 132,000 | 135,200 | 139,300 | 141,800 | 142,300 | 140,800 | 140,100 | 137,000 | 137,600 | 136,400 |
| Health Services | 41,300 | 41,300 | 41,300 | 41,700 | 41,900 | 42,000 | 42,100 | 41,800 | 41,400 | 41,600 | 41,600 | 41,900 | 41,700 |
| Hospitals | 17,700 | 17,700 | 17,700 | 17,800 | 17,800 | 17,800 | 17,900 | 17,700 | 17,600 | 17,600 | 17,500 | 17,500 | 17,700 |
| Other Health Services | 23,600 | 23,600 | 23,600 | 23,900 | 24,100 | 24,200 | 24,200 | 24,100 | 23,800 | 24,000 | 24,100 | 24,400 | 24,000 |
| Total Government | 72,200 | 75,500 | 76,900 | 76,700 | 76,300 | 73,400 | 63,700 | 65,100 | 71,700 | 77,100 | 76,900 | 78,200 | 73,600 |
| Federal | 7,500 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 8,300 | 7,600 |
| State | 18,500 | 21,100 | 21,900 | 21,500 | 21,000 | 18,400 | 16,500 | 18,500 | 18,400 | 22,200 | 21,400 | 21,600 | 20,100 |
| Local | 46,200 | 47,000 | 47,600 | 47,600 | 47,700 | 47,300 | 39,500 | 38,900 | 45,700 | 47,300 | 47,900 | 48,300 | 45,900 |

*data does not add due to some unpublishable Industry statistics

***Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.***

## 1992 (final) NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 472,000 | 471,100 | 473,100 | 479,100 | 488,200 | 494,500 | 485,200 | 487,500 | 494,000 | 497,300 | 495,600 | 499,800 | 486,500 |
| Total Private | 398,700 | 396,300 | 397,100 | 403,800 | 412,500 | 422,100 | 424,000 | 426,800 | 422,900 | 421,000 | 418,600 | 421,900 | 413,800 |
| Goods Producing | 110,800 | 109,500 | 109,400 | 112,900 | 114,500 | 116,200 | 114,600 | 116,500 | 117,100 | 117,100 | 116,300 | 115,600 | 114,200 |
| Mining | 300 | 300 | 300 | 400 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 400 |
| Construction | 14,100 | 13,300 | 13,300 | 14,800 | 16,300 | 17,300 | 17,900 | 18,200 | 18,100 | 18,300 | 17,600 | 16,900 | 16,300 |
| Manufacturing | 96,400 | 95,900 | 95,800 | 97,700 | 97,800 | 98,400 | 96,200 | 97,800 | 98,500 | 98,300 | 98,200 | 98,300 | 97,400 |
| Durable Goods* | 66,000 | 65,400 | 65,300 | 66,800 | 66,800 | 67,100 | 65,500 | 66,400 | 66,600 | 66,700 | 66,500 | 66,500 | 66,300 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 3,900 | 3,900 | 4,000 | 3,900 | 3,900 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,100 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Prod. | 1,800 | 1,700 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,800 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 1,900 |
| Primary Metal Products | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,800 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 6,800 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,900 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,000 |
| Industrial Machinery | 19,400 | 19,400 | 19,400 | 20,900 | 20,800 | 20,800 | 20,300 | 19,900 | 20,000 | 19,900 | 19,700 | 19,700 | 20,000 |
| Electronic Equipment | 13,700 | 13,500 | 13,000 | 13,200 | 13,200 | 13,200 | 13,100 | 13,200 | 13,400 | 13,500 | 13,500 | 13,500 | 13,300 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Instruments and Related Prod. | 12,300 | 12,200 | 12,400 | 12,100 | 12,000 | 12,000 | 11,500 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 12,000 |
| Nondurable Goods* | 30,400 | 30,500 | 30,500 | 30,900 | 31,000 | 31,300 | 30,700 | 31,400 | 31,900 | 31,600 | 31,700 | 31,800 | 31,100 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 2,400 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,800 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,500 |
| Textile Mill Products | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,300 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 1,700 | 1,700 | 1,700 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 1,900 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,700 | 4,700 | 5,000 | 4,700 | 4,800 | 4,800 | 4,700 |
| Printing and Publishing | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,500 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 7,500 | 7,500 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 |
| Leather and Leather Prod. | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics | 7,900 | 7,900 | 8,000 | 8,100 | 8,000 | 8,100 | 7,600 | 8,000 | 8,100 | 8,100 | 8,100 | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| Service Producing | 361,200 | 361,600 | 363,700 | 366,200 | 373,700 | 378,300 | 370,600 | 371,000 | 376,900 | 380,200 | 379,300 | 384,200 | 372,200 |
| Private Service Producing | 287,900 | 286,800 | 287,700 | 290,900 | 298,000 | 305,900 | 309,400 | 310,300 | 305,800 | 303,900 | 302,300 | 306,300 | 299,600 |
| Transport & Pub Utils. | 16,700 | 16,700 | 16,700 | 16,800 | 17,200 | 17,600 | 17,200 | 17,000 | 17,700 | 17,800 | 17,800 | 17,900 | 17,300 |
| Trade | 118,600 | 116,800 | 117,500 | 119,000 | 122,700 | 126,100 | 127,800 | 128,500 | 126,400 | 125,300 | 126,300 | 128,900 | 123,700 |
| Wholesale Trade | 21,500 | 21,300 | 21,500 | 21,400 | 21,700 | 21,900 | 21,900 | 21,700 | 21,600 | 21,800 | 21,600 | 21,700 | 21,600 |
| Retail Trade | 97,100 | 95,500 | 96,000 | 97,600 | 101,000 | 104,200 | 105,900 | 106,800 | 104,800 | 103,500 | 104,700 | 107,200 | 102,000 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 28,900 | 28,900 | 28,800 | 29,300 | 29,500 | 29,500 | 29,300 | 29,300 | 28,900 | 28,700 | 28,700 | 28,900 | 29,100 |
| Service Industry and Other | 123,700 | 124,400 | 124,700 | 125,800 | 128,600 | 132,700 | 135,100 | 135,500 | 132,800 | 132,100 | 129,500 | 130,600 | 129,600 |
| Health Services | 39,900 | 40,000 | 40,100 | 40,300 | 40,600 | 40,800 | 41,000 | 41,000 | 41,000 | 41,100 | 41,200 | 41,300 | 40,700 |
| Hospitals | 17,500 | 17,600 | 17,600 | 17,500 | 17,700 | 17,800 | 17,800 | 17,700 | 17,600 | 17,700 | 17,800 | 17,700 | 17,700 |
| Other Health Services | 22,400 | 22,400 | 22,500 | 22,800 | 22,900 | 23,000 | 23,200 | 23,300 | 23,400 | 23,400 | 23,400 | 23,600 | 23,000 |
| Total Government | 73,300 | 74,800 | 76,000 | 75,300 | 75,700 | 72,400 | 61,200 | 60,700 | 71,100 | 76,300 | 77,000 | 77,900 | 72,600 |
| Federal | 7,900 | 7,700 | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,900 | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,600 | 7,500 | 7,800 | 7,800 |
| State | 19,300 | 20,400 | 21,000 | 20,600 | 20,800 | 17,900 | 15,800 | 15,900 | 17,800 | 21,900 | 21,300 | 20,900 | 19,500 |
| Local | 46,100 | 46,700 | 47,200 | 46,900 | 47,100 | 46,600 | 37,600 | 37,000 | 45,500 | 46,800 | 48,200 | 49,200 | 45,400 |

*data does not add due to some unpublishable Industry statistics

***Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.***

## 1993 (preliminary) MANCHESTER PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 82,400 | 82,200 | 82,300 | 83,300 | 84,300 | 85,000 | 84,700 | 85,900 | 85,800 | 86,100 | 87,200 | 87,200 | 84,700 |
| Total Private | 72,500 | 72,200 | 72,300 | 73,400 | 74,300 | 75,200 | 75,500 | 76,700 | 76,000 | 76,000 | 76,700 | 76,600 | 74,800 |
| Goods Producing | 14,000 | 13,800 | 14,000 | 14,200 | 14,300 | 14,500 | 14,700 | 15,100 | 14,800 | 14,700 | 14,800 | 14,700 | 14,500 |
| Construction and Mining | 2,700 | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 3,200 | 3,700 | 3,800 | 3,500 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,200 |
| Manufacturing | 11,300 | 11,300 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 11,300 | 11,300 | 11,000 | 11,300 | 11,300 | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,300 |
| Durable Goods | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 6,900 | 6,600 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,900 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equipment | 2,900 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,200 |
| Nondurable Goods | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,400 | 4,400 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,400 |
| Service Producing | 68,400 | 68,400 | 68,300 | 69,100 | 70,000 | 70,500 | 70,000 | 70,800 | 71,000 | 71,400 | 72,400 | 72,500 | 70,200 |
| Private Service Producing | 58,500 | 58,400 | 58,300 | 59,200 | 60,000 | 60,700 | 60,800 | 61,600 | 61,200 | 61,300 | 61,900 | 61,900 | 60,300 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 5,200 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,400 | 5,400 | 5,500 | 5,600 | 5,500 | 5,300 |
| Trade | 21,300 | 21,000 | 20,800 | 20,900 | 21,100 | 21,500 | 21,000 | 20,800 | 21,000 | 20,800 | 21,600 | 21,900 | 21,100 |
| Wholesale Trade | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,100 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 4,900 | 4,900 | 4,800 | 5,100 |
| Retail Trade | 16,000 | 15,700 | 15,500 | 15,700 | 15,900 | 16,300 | 15,900 | 15,800 | 16,000 | 15,900 | 16,700 | 17,100 | 16,000 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,700 | 7,800 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,500 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,600 |
| Service Industry and Other | 24,500 | 24,700 | 24,800 | 25,400 | 25,900 | 26,100 | 26,800 | 27,700 | 27,300 | 27,600 | 27,300 | 27,100 | 26,300 |
| Total Government | 9,900 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 9,800 | 9,200 | 9,200 | 9,800 | 10,100 | 10,500 | 10,600 | 9,900 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 3,000 | 2,500 |
| State | 1,100 | 1,200 | 1,400 | 1,200 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,100 | 1,200 | 1,300 | 1,100 | 1,200 |
| Local | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,100 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 6,100 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 6,200 | 6,400 | 6,700 | 6,500 | 6,200 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

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## 1992 (final) MANCHESTER PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 80,100 | 80,000 | 80,000 | 81,400 | 82,200 | 82,100 | 80,900 | 81,400 | 82,700 | 83,300 | 83,600 | 84,400 | 81,800 |
| Total Private | 70,400 | 70,300 | 70,300 | 71,800 | 72,600 | 72,700 | 72,200 | 72,800 | 73,100 | 73,500 | 73,600 | 74,300 | 72,300 |
| Goods Producing | 13,800 | 13,500 | 13,500 | 14,000 | 14,100 | 14,200 | 13,900 | 14,300 | 14,300 | 14,300 | 14,200 | 14,300 | 14,000 |
| Construction and Mining | 2,900 | 2,700 | 2,700 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 |
| Manufacturing | 10,900 | 10,800 | 10,800 | 10,900 | 10,900 | 10,900 | 10,500 | 10,800 | 10,900 | 11,000 | 11,000 | 11,100 | 10,900 |
| Durable Goods | 6,800 | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,500 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,800 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equipment | 2,900 | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 2,900 |
| Nondurable Goods | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,100 | 4,000 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,100 |
| Service Producing | 66,300 | 66,500 | 66,500 | 67,400 | 68,100 | 67,900 | 67,000 | 67,100 | 68,400 | 69,000 | 69,400 | 70,100 | 67,800 |
| Private Service Producing | 56,600 | 56,800 | 56,800 | 57,800 | 58,500 | 58,500 | 58,300 | 58,500 | 58,800 | 59,200 | 59,400 | 60,000 | 58,300 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 5,000 | 5,100 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,200 | 5,100 | 5,400 | 5,400 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,200 |
| Trade | 20,300 | 20,100 | 20,300 | 20,500 | 21,000 | 21,100 | 21,000 | 21,100 | 20,900 | 21,000 | 21,300 | 21,800 | 20,900 |
| Wholesale Trade | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,300 | 5,200 | 5,300 | 5,200 |
| Retail Trade | 15,200 | 15,000 | 15,200 | 15,400 | 15,800 | 15,900 | 15,800 | 15,900 | 15,700 | 15,700 | 16,100 | 16,500 | 15,700 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 8,100 | 8,200 | 8,100 | 8,300 | 8,300 | 8,100 | 8,000 | 8,000 | 7,900 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,800 | 8,000 |
| Service Industry and Other | 23,200 | 23,400 | 23,400 | 24,000 | 24,100 | 24,200 | 24,100 | 24,300 | 24,600 | 25,100 | 24,900 | 24,900 | 24,200 |
| Total Government | 9,700 | 9,700 | 9,700 | 9,600 | 9,600 | 9,400 | 8,700 | 8,600 | 9,600 | 9,800 | 10,000 | 10,100 | 9,500 |
| Federal | 2,700 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,700 | 2,600 |
| State | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 900 | 900 | 900 |
| Local | 6,100 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 5,900 | 5,200 | 5,100 | 6,000 | 6,300 | 6,600 | 6,500 | 6,000 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

## 1993 (preliminary) NASHUA PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 78,400 | 77,900 | 77,700 | 78,600 | 80,000 | 80,400 | 78,600 | 78,300 | 80,000 | 80,800 | 80,800 | 81,200 | 79,400 |
| Total Private | 71,300 | 70,800 | 70,400 | 71,200 | 72,600 | 73,300 | 72,600 | 72,400 | 73,200 | 73,800 | 73,700 | 74,000 | 72,400 |
| Goods Producing | 29,300 | 29,100 | 28,800 | 28,600 | 28,900 | 29,000 | 28,600 | 28,700 | 28,400 | 28,300 | 28,800 | 28,800 | 28,800 |
| Construction and Mining | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,100 |
| Manufacturing | 27,300 | 27,100 | 26,800 | 26,600 | 26,700 | 26,800 | 26,400 | 26,400 | 26,200 | 26,100 | 26,600 | 26,700 | 26,600 |
| Durable Goods | 21,300 | 21,100 | 20,900 | 21,000 | 21,100 | 21,200 | 20,900 | 20,900 | 20,700 | 20,600 | 21,000 | 21,100 | 21,000 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equipment | 12,100 | 12,000 | 11,700 | 11,600 | 11,600 | 11,700 | 11,500 | 11,500 | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,700 |
| Nondurable Goods | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,900 | 5,600 | 5,600 | 5,600 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,600 | 5,600 | 5,700 |
| Service Producing | 49,100 | 48,800 | 48,900 | 50,000 | 51,100 | 51,400 | 50,000 | 49,600 | 51,600 | 52,500 | 52,000 | 52,400 | 50,600 |
| Private Service Producing | 42,000 | 41,700 | 41,600 | 42,600 | 43,700 | 44,300 | 44,000 | 43,700 | 44,800 | 45,500 | 44,900 | 45,200 | 43,700 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,200 | 2,100 |
| Trade | 19,500 | 18,900 | 18,800 | 19,400 | 19,800 | 20,000 | 19,900 | 20,100 | 20,200 | 20,100 | 20,300 | 20,400 | 19,800 |
| Wholesale Trade | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,700 | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,500 |
| Retail Trade | 16,200 | 15,700 | 15,600 | 15,900 | 16,200 | 16,400 | 16,300 | 16,500 | 16,500 | 16,600 | 16,900 | 17,000 | 16,300 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 |
| Service Industry and Other | 17,500 | 17,700 | 17,700 | 18,100 | 18,600 | 19,000 | 18,700 | 18,300 | 19,200 | 20,000 | 19,300 | 19,300 | 18,600 |
| Total Government | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,100 | 6,000 | 5,900 | 6,800 | 7,000 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,000 |
| Federal | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 800 | 800 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 900 |
| State | 500 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 500 |
| Local | 5,700 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,700 | 4,700 | 4,700 | 5,500 | 5,700 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 5,600 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

## 1992 (final) NASHUA PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
### Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 74,200 | 74,000 | 74,700 | 77,300 | 78,500 | 79,300 | 77,800 | 77,900 | 79,300 | 79,900 | 79,900 | 80,700 | 77,800 |
| Total Private | 67,900 | 67,700 | 68,200 | 70,300 | 71,400 | 72,600 | 71,900 | 72,100 | 72,200 | 72,700 | 72,800 | 73,400 | 71,100 |
| Goods Producing | 28,400 | 28,300 | 28,300 | 30,100 | 30,100 | 30,700 | 30,400 | 30,300 | 30,500 | 30,100 | 29,900 | 29,700 | 29,700 |
| Construction and Mining | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,200 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 2,100 |
| Manufacturing | 26,500 | 26,400 | 26,400 | 28,200 | 28,100 | 28,500 | 28,100 | 28,000 | 28,100 | 27,700 | 27,600 | 27,500 | 27,600 |
| Durable Goods | 21,200 | 21,000 | 21,000 | 22,200 | 22,100 | 22,400 | 21,900 | 21,800 | 21,800 | 21,600 | 21,500 | 21,400 | 21,700 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equipment | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,500 | 12,800 | 12,800 | 13,100 | 12,700 | 12,400 | 12,400 | 12,200 | 12,100 | 12,000 | 12,300 |
| Nondurable Goods | 5,300 | 5,400 | 5,400 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,100 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 6,300 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 5,900 |
| Service Producing | 45,800 | 45,700 | 46,400 | 47,200 | 48,400 | 48,600 | 47,400 | 47,600 | 48,800 | 49,800 | 50,000 | 51,000 | 48,100 |
| Private Service Producing | 39,500 | 39,400 | 39,900 | 40,200 | 41,300 | 41,900 | 41,500 | 41,800 | 41,700 | 42,600 | 42,900 | 43,700 | 41,400 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 |
| Trade | 18,300 | 18,000 | 18,200 | 18,000 | 18,700 | 18,900 | 18,700 | 19,000 | 19,000 | 19,300 | 19,900 | 20,500 | 18,900 |
| Wholesale Trade | 3,100 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,100 |
| Retail Trade | 15,200 | 15,000 | 15,100 | 15,000 | 15,600 | 15,800 | 15,500 | 15,900 | 15,900 | 16,200 | 16,800 | 17,300 | 15,800 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 2,900 |
| Service Industry and Other | 16,400 | 16,600 | 16,900 | 17,400 | 17,700 | 18,000 | 18,000 | 18,100 | 17,900 | 18,300 | 17,900 | 18,200 | 17,600 |
| Total Government | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,500 | 7,000 | 7,100 | 6,700 | 5,900 | 5,800 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,300 | 6,700 |
| Federal | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 900 | 800 | 900 | 900 |
| State | 400 | 400 | 500 | 400 | 500 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 400 | 400 |
| Local | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,100 | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,400 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 5,700 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 6,000 | 5,400 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

## 1993 (preliminary) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
## Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 96,300 | 98,300 | 99,000 | 101,300 | 103,100 | 103,800 | 100,900 | 101,300 | 102,900 | 104,600 | 104,100 | 103,500 | 101,600 |
| Total Private | 74,500 | 74,200 | 74,400 | 76,600 | 79,100 | 81,700 | 81,600 | 82,100 | 81,500 | 80,500 | 80,100 | 79,800 | 78,800 |
| Goods Producing | 19,500 | 19,300 | 19,400 | 19,500 | 20,100 | 20,400 | 19,500 | 20,100 | 20,200 | 20,000 | 20,200 | 19,900 | 19,800 |
| Construction and Mining | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,300 | 2,600 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,800 | 2,700 | 2,600 | 2,400 | 2,500 |
| Manufacturing | 17,300 | 17,200 | 17,300 | 17,200 | 17,500 | 17,600 | 16,600 | 17,200 | 17,400 | 17,300 | 17,600 | 17,500 | 17,300 |
| Durable Goods | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 9,900 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 9,900 | 10,200 | 10,100 | 10,000 |
| Nondurable Goods | 7,300 | 7,200 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 6,700 | 7,200 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 |
| Service Producing | 76,800 | 79,000 | 79,600 | 81,800 | 83,000 | 83,400 | 81,400 | 81,200 | 82,700 | 84,600 | 83,900 | 83,600 | 81,800 |
| Private Service Producing | 55,000 | 54,900 | 55,000 | 57,100 | 59,000 | 61,300 | 62,100 | 62,000 | 61,300 | 60,500 | 59,900 | 59,900 | 59,000 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,600 | 3,300 |
| Trade | 23,900 | 23,600 | 23,500 | 24,600 | 25,600 | 26,900 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 26,600 | 26,400 | 26,100 | 25,900 | 25,600 |
| Wholesale Trade | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,300 |
| Retail Trade | 20,800 | 20,500 | 20,300 | 21,400 | 22,300 | 23,500 | 23,600 | 23,700 | 23,300 | 23,100 | 22,900 | 22,600 | 22,300 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 6,600 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,700 |
| Service Industry and Other | 21,500 | 21,700 | 21,800 | 22,700 | 23,400 | 24,300 | 24,700 | 24,700 | 24,300 | 23,800 | 23,600 | 23,600 | 23,300 |
| Total Government | 21,800 | 24,100 | 24,600 | 24,700 | 24,000 | 22,100 | 19,300 | 19,200 | 21,400 | 24,100 | 24,000 | 23,700 | 22,800 |
| Federal | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 6,900 | 6,800 | 6,600 | 7,200 |
| State | 4,500 | 6,800 | 7,100 | 7,000 | 6,700 | 4,800 | 3,100 | 3,300 | 4,400 | 7,100 | 6,900 | 6,800 | 5,700 |
| Local | 9,600 | 9,600 | 9,800 | 10,000 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 9,100 | 8,800 | 9,900 | 10,100 | 10,300 | 10,300 | 9,800 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

## 1992 (final) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
## Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Nonagricultural | 102,500 | 102,300 | 103,000 | 105,800 | 108,400 | 109,500 | 97,900 | 98,900 | 100,600 | 101,700 | 101,600 | 101,600 | 102,800 |
| Total Private | 77,100 | 76,300 | 76,800 | 80,000 | 82,700 | 86,000 | 78,200 | 79,100 | 78,700 | 76,900 | 76,700 | 76,700 | 78,800 |
| Goods Producing | 22,500 | 22,300 | 22,400 | 22,700 | 22,800 | 23,000 | 18,900 | 19,900 | 20,100 | 20,200 | 20,200 | 20,000 | 21,300 |
| Construction and Mining | 2,500 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,600 | 2,800 | 3,000 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,800 | 2,700 | 2,700 |
| Manufacturing | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,100 | 20,100 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 16,100 | 17,000 | 17,200 | 17,300 | 17,400 | 17,300 | 18,500 |
| Durable Goods | 12,600 | 12,600 | 12,600 | 12,500 | 12,500 | 12,400 | 9,500 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 10,000 | 11,200 |
| Nondurable Goods | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,500 | 7,600 | 6,600 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 7,300 | 7,300 | 7,300 |
| Service Producing | 80,000 | 80,000 | 80,600 | 83,100 | 85,600 | 86,500 | 79,000 | 79,000 | 80,500 | 81,500 | 81,400 | 81,600 | 81,600 |
| Private Service Producing | 54,600 | 54,000 | 54,400 | 57,300 | 59,900 | 63,000 | 59,300 | 59,200 | 58,600 | 56,700 | 56,500 | 56,700 | 57,500 |
| Transport. & Pub. Utils. | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 3,000 |
| Trade | 24,200 | 23,700 | 23,900 | 25,500 | 27,000 | 28,600 | 26,600 | 26,800 | 26,200 | 25,100 | 25,300 | 25,500 | 25,700 |
| Wholesale Trade | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,000 |
| Retail Trade | 21,400 | 20,900 | 21,000 | 22,500 | 24,000 | 25,500 | 23,600 | 23,700 | 23,100 | 22,000 | 22,200 | 22,400 | 22,700 |
| Finance, Ins. & Real Estate | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,900 | 6,700 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,700 |
| Service Industry and Other | 20,700 | 20,600 | 20,800 | 22,100 | 23,000 | 24,300 | 23,000 | 22,900 | 22,900 | 22,200 | 21,800 | 21,800 | 22,200 |
| Total Government | 25,400 | 26,000 | 26,200 | 25,800 | 25,700 | 23,500 | 19,700 | 19,800 | 21,900 | 24,800 | 24,900 | 24,900 | 24,100 |
| Federal | 8,600 | 8,600 | 8,500 | 8,600 | 8,500 | 7,900 | 7,900 | 7,900 | 7,900 | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,900 | 8,200 |
| State | 6,100 | 6,500 | 6,700 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 4,800 | 3,100 | 3,300 | 4,400 | 7,100 | 6,900 | 6,800 | 5,700 |
| Local | 10,700 | 10,900 | 11,000 | 10,600 | 10,600 | 10,800 | 8,700 | 8,600 | 9,600 | 9,900 | 10,200 | 10,200 | 10,200 |

*Note: Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred.*

## 1993 (preliminary) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
## worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 42.8 | 41.8 | 42.1 | 42.2 | 41.8 | 42.1 | 41.5 | 42.0 | 42.2 | 41.9 | 42.0 | 42.6 | 42.1 |
| Durable Goods | 43.6 | 42.2 | 42.6 | 42.6 | 42.0 | 42.5 | 41.9 | 42.1 | 42.6 | 42.5 | 42.2 | 43.4 | 42.5 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 39.3 | 37.4 | 38.3 | 39.3 | 38.6 | 39.3 | 38.1 | 39.4 | 40.3 | 40.0 | 40.3 | 41.1 | 39.3 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 42.0 | 40.6 | 41.3 | 40.9 | 40.6 | 42.2 | 41.6 | 44.3 | 42.2 | 42.0 | 40.7 | 42.9 | 41.8 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 40.6 | 40.9 | 40.3 | 32.4 | 34.3 | 35.9 | 36.0 | 36.7 | 38.0 | 39.4 | 38.5 | 39.6 | 37.7 |
| Primary Metal Products | 44.3 | 43.3 | 45.3 | 44.5 | 43.9 | 44.0 | 43.6 | 43.8 | 44.3 | 44.5 | 43.6 | 44.1 | 44.1 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 40.8 | 40.4 | 40.8 | 41.9 | 41.0 | 41.1 | 40.3 | 41.7 | 42.7 | 44.1 | 41.5 | 43.4 | 41.7 |
| Industrial Machinery | 43.4 | 43.1 | 43.2 | 43.2 | 41.9 | 42.1 | 42.8 | 42.2 | 41.8 | 41.4 | 42.0 | 44.3 | 42.6 |
| Electronic Equipment | 47.4 | 46.0 | 45.6 | 46.3 | 46.6 | 47.8 | 44.1 | 45.1 | 46.1 | 45.5 | 45.0 | 45.6 | 45.9 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 35.5 | 35.7 | 35.9 | 37.0 | 36.8 | 37.0 | 37.8 | 38.2 | 36.5 | 35.4 | 36.4 | 37.4 | 36.6 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 45.6 | 40.4 | 41.6 | 40.7 | 40.5 | 41.4 | 42.0 | 40.2 | 40.8 | 40.5 | 41.2 | 42.2 | 41.4 |
| Nondurable Goods | 41.2 | 41.2 | 41.0 | 41.7 | 41.4 | 41.3 | 40.6 | 41.9 | 41.4 | 40.8 | 41.7 | 41.1 | 41.3 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 36.1 | 38.3 | 37.2 | 38.1 | 38.3 | 38.2 | 31.3 | 35.5 | 36.6 | 36.7 | 37.2 | 39.8 | 36.9 |
| Textile Mill Products | 41.3 | 41.5 | 42.3 | 42.7 | 42.4 | 43.2 | 42.8 | 43.5 | 42.5 | 41.3 | 41.7 | 42.5 | 42.3 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 36.8 | 36.6 | 37.2 | 34.4 | 36.8 | 35.4 | 35.1 | 37.0 | 36.6 | 35.4 | 37.9 | 35.7 | 36.3 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 45.5 | 45.7 | 45.4 | 46.2 | 45.8 | 46.2 | 49.6 | 51.1 | 47.7 | 47.1 | 47.5 | 43.0 | 46.7 |
| Printing and Publishing | 39.1 | 38.5 | 38.1 | 37.9 | 38.2 | 38.0 | 38.0 | 38.6 | 39.5 | 39.1 | 39.0 | 39.6 | 38.6 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 36.5 | 36.2 | 37.3 | 38.7 | 39.5 | 39.5 | 39.2 | 39.1 | 37.7 | 36.2 | 38.2 | 39.0 | 38.1 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 44.2 | 44.1 | 43.2 | 45.3 | 44.1 | 43.5 | 41.5 | 43.3 | 43.1 | 42.5 | 44.0 | 43.2 | 43.5 |

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## 1992 (final) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
## worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.8 | 41.8 | 41.5 | 41.0 | 41.6 | 41.7 | 40.0 | 41.4 | 40.5 | 42.3 | 41.8 | 43.6 | 41.5 |
| Durable Goods | 42.5 | 42.4 | 41.9 | 41.7 | 42.0 | 41.9 | 40.5 | 41.5 | 40.8 | 42.8 | 42.3 | 44.2 | 42.1 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 38.1 | 39.4 | 38.5 | 38.3 | 39.1 | 38.5 | 37.7 | 39.9 | 38.2 | 38.9 | 38.8 | 39.8 | 38.8 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 41.0 | 40.3 | 41.4 | 39.5 | 41.8 | 42.1 | 42.0 | 43.3 | 43.9 | 41.1 | 41.0 | 43.2 | 41.7 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 38.8 | 40.7 | 42.8 | 43.4 | 43.8 | 43.3 | 43.2 | 42.1 | 42.1 | 46.8 | 43.4 | 42.5 | 42.8 |
| Primary Metal Products | 44.0 | 44.8 | 44.4 | 44.4 | 43.8 | 45.6 | 44.8 | 44.0 | 43.1 | 43.3 | 43.2 | 45.2 | 44.2 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 41.2 | 40.7 | 40.2 | 39.8 | 40.2 | 40.2 | 41.2 | 40.1 | 38.2 | 41.8 | 39.5 | 40.0 | 40.2 |
| Industrial Machinery | 42.4 | 42.4 | 43.4 | 42.6 | 43.1 | 42.3 | 43.0 | 42.2 | 40.5 | 42.5 | 42.4 | 44.8 | 42.6 |
| Electronic Equipment | 44.7 | 43.8 | 43.3 | 43.8 | 44.5 | 44.3 | 42.4 | 43.5 | 42.4 | 47.2 | 46.3 | 48.3 | 44.5 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 38.9 | 38.8 | 38.7 | 39.6 | 38.4 | 38.8 | 38.0 | 38.7 | 35.8 | 38.9 | 38.4 | 39.5 | 38.5 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 43.5 | 43.7 | 40.3 | 39.5 | 39.6 | 40.0 | 31.5 | 39.0 | 41.5 | 39.9 | 41.1 | 44.7 | 40.4 |
| Nondurable Goods | 40.5 | 40.5 | 40.7 | 39.7 | 40.8 | 41.3 | 38.9 | 41.2 | 39.9 | 41.4 | 40.8 | 42.5 | 40.7 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 31.5 | 35.1 | 37.6 | 36.6 | 37.3 | 37.7 | 33.3 | 39.2 | 38.1 | 38.4 | 37.0 | 39.5 | 36.8 |
| Textile Mill Products | 39.9 | 40.9 | 41.1 | 39.6 | 41.4 | 42.0 | 40.6 | 41.7 | 40.4 | 39.5 | 39.7 | 43.7 | 40.9 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 39.7 | 37.5 | 39.1 | 33.1 | 37.6 | 37.7 | 32.0 | 35.6 | 36.4 | 40.1 | 37.7 | 38.0 | 37.0 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 43.9 | 43.8 | 43.9 | 44.4 | 44.9 | 47.0 | 47.4 | 45.7 | 44.2 | 45.5 | 45.1 | 47.7 | 45.3 |
| Printing and Publishing | 39.2 | 38.4 | 38.7 | 37.4 | 37.2 | 37.2 | 37.2 | 37.7 | 36.1 | 39.5 | 39.2 | 39.5 | 38.1 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 33.6 | 34.4 | 34.5 | 36.1 | 38.2 | 39.6 | 39.9 | 40.7 | 36.1 | 38.0 | 37.7 | 37.3 | 37.2 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 44.1 | 43.6 | 42.8 | 42.2 | 43.6 | 43.4 | 38.1 | 43.5 | 42.2 | 43.4 | 42.9 | 44.7 | 42.9 |

## 1993 (preliminary) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.5 | 41.5 | 41.9 | 41.7 | 40.2 | 40.3 | 41.6 | 41.5 | 41.6 | 40.9 | 41.6 | 41.6 | 41.3 |
| Durable Goods | 41.4 | 41.0 | 41.9 | 40.9 | 39.5 | 38.7 | 40.7 | 40.5 | 41.2 | 40.4 | 41.0 | 41.1 | 40.7 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 43.2 | 42.0 | 42.1 | 41.0 | 40.0 | 42.0 | 40.7 | 39.7 | 40.0 | 41.0 | 41.6 | 42.0 | 41.3 |
| Nondurable Goods | 41.6 | 42.1 | 41.9 | 43.0 | 41.5 | 42.8 | 42.9 | 42.9 | 42.3 | 41.8 | 42.7 | 42.5 | 42.3 |

## 1993 (preliminary) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 43.8 | 41.1 | 41.1 | 41.3 | 41.0 | 41.4 | 40.2 | 40.9 | 41.1 | 40.6 | 41.3 | 41.6 | 41.3 |
| Durable Goods | 45.7 | 41.9 | 42.1 | 42.2 | 41.9 | 42.9 | 40.9 | 41.8 | 41.8 | 41.2 | 41.9 | 42.7 | 42.3 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 43.0 | 41.3 | 42.0 | 43.1 | 43.5 | 44.3 | 42.0 | 43.4 | 43.2 | 42.3 | 43.3 | 44.2 | 42.9 |
| Nondurable Goods | 38.6 | 39.1 | 38.5 | 39.1 | 38.8 | 37.5 | 38.2 | 38.3 | 39.0 | 39.1 | 39.7 | 38.6 | 38.7 |

## 1993 (preliminary) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.7 | 42.4 | 42.8 | 43.4 | 42.6 | 42.8 | 39.0 | 42.2 | 42.3 | 41.7 | 41.6 | 42.8 | 42.1 |
| Durable Goods | 43.0 | 43.8 | 44.2 | 43.8 | 42.7 | 43.6 | 41.5 | 42.4 | 42.6 | 42.4 | 41.5 | 43.0 | 42.9 |
| Nondurable Goods | 40.0 | 40.5 | 40.8 | 42.8 | 42.4 | 41.8 | 35.0 | 42.0 | 41.8 | 40.8 | 41.9 | 42.6 | 41.1 |

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## 1992 (final) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.5 | 41.4 | 42.1 | 41.8 | 41.6 | 42.5 | 41.8 | 41.3 | 41.3 | 42.7 | 42.3 | 44.3 | 42.0 |
| Durable Goods | 41.3 | 41.4 | 41.9 | 41.3 | 40.7 | 41.5 | 43.8 | 40.9 | 41.1 | 42.1 | 41.7 | 42.2 | 41.7 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 43.7 | 43.2 | 43.7 | 42.4 | 42.6 | 43.2 | 44.8 | 41.7 | 42.8 | 44.2 | 42.3 | 42.8 | 43.1 |
| Nondurable Goods | 41.8 | 41.5 | 42.5 | 42.7 | 42.9 | 44.0 | 38.7 | 41.8 | 41.6 | 43.5 | 43.2 | 47.5 | 42.7 |

## 1992 (final) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.2 | 40.3 | 41.2 | 41.3 | 42.2 | 41.5 | 40.2 | 40.9 | 41.4 | 44.5 | 44.2 | 42.3 | 41.8 |
| Durable Goods | 42.0 | 40.8 | 41.7 | 42.6 | 43.3 | 42.6 | 41.1 | 41.7 | 42.4 | 46.4 | 46.2 | 43.1 | 42.8 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 40.3 | 41.3 | 42.7 | 44.1 | 45.0 | 43.8 | 41.8 | 42.7 | 42.7 | 50.9 | 51.1 | 44.2 | 44.1 |
| Nondurable Goods | 38.5 | 38.7 | 39.4 | 37.2 | 38.9 | 38.0 | 37.7 | 38.6 | 38.7 | 39.2 | 39.0 | 40.1 | 38.7 |

## 1992 (final) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS
worked in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 41.0 | 41.6 | 41.8 | 42.1 | 42.0 | 42.4 | 40.4 | 42.0 | 41.8 | 41.9 | 42.3 | 43.7 | 41.9 |
| Durable Goods | 41.4 | 42.0 | 42.5 | 43.7 | 42.3 | 42.9 | 41.9 | 42.1 | 42.9 | 42.8 | 43.5 | 45.5 | 42.8 |
| Nondurable Goods | 40.5 | 40.8 | 40.7 | 39.4 | 41.5 | 41.6 | 38.0 | 41.8 | 40.4 | 40.8 | 40.6 | 41.2 | 40.6 |

## 1993 (preliminary) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS
### paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 489.20 | $ 486.13 | $ 484.57 | $ 490.79 | $ 484.04 | $ 485.83 | $ 485.14 | $ 491.40 | $ 492.47 | $ 487.72 | $ 488.88 | $ 498.42 | $ 488.78 |
| Durable Goods | 510.12 | 502.18 | 502.68 | 506.51 | 498.54 | 501.93 | 497.77 | 503.52 | 506.09 | 501.93 | 500.91 | 517.33 | 504.05 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 350.95 | 333.61 | 345.47 | 351.74 | 341.22 | 350.95 | 331.09 | 349.08 | 363.51 | 356.80 | 356.66 | 367.02 | 350.16 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 356.58 | 334.14 | 351.05 | 331.70 | 327.64 | 353.64 | 368.99 | 396.04 | 356.59 | 362.04 | 342.69 | 419.13 | 359.06 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 452.28 | 462.58 | 463.05 | 373.25 | 395.14 | 413.93 | 421.92 | 428.66 | 437.76 | 455.46 | 452.76 | 477.58 | 436.19 |
| Primary Metal Products | 521.85 | 526.53 | 540.43 | 526.88 | 525.92 | 506.44 | 516.22 | 519.03 | 527.61 | 528.22 | 525.38 | 528.76 | 524.35 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 438.19 | 435.11 | 445.94 | 462.58 | 441.16 | 459.50 | 453.78 | 460.79 | 473.54 | 479.81 | 459.82 | 494.76 | 459.53 |
| Industrial Machinery | 513.86 | 533.56 | 520.56 | 540.43 | 516.21 | 515.30 | 520.45 | 518.22 | 514.14 | 503.42 | 508.62 | 528.06 | 519.29 |
| Electronic Equipment | 539.89 | 540.50 | 537.62 | 546.80 | 553.61 | 552.57 | 516.41 | 526.77 | 521.85 | 515.52 | 512.10 | 530.33 | 532.44 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 319.86 | 322.73 | 324.54 | 328.19 | 319.79 | 330.78 | 335.29 | 338.45 | 339.82 | 326.74 | 357.45 | 348.94 | 332.33 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 662.11 | 585.40 | 587.81 | 594.22 | 590.90 | 600.71 | 608.58 | 609.03 | 614.45 | 613.17 | 622.94 | 633.42 | 609.82 |
| Nondurable Goods | 449.08 | 457.32 | 448.95 | 464.96 | 457.06 | 454.71 | 459.59 | 470.54 | 466.58 | 462.26 | 467.87 | 463.20 | 460.50 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 496.38 | 552.67 | 521.17 | 559.69 | 556.50 | 556.96 | 507.69 | 618.41 | 623.30 | 625.00 | 610.82 | 622.87 | 570.11 |
| Textile Mill Products | 395.24 | 388.86 | 401.00 | 407.36 | 403.22 | 398.30 | 397.61 | 406.29 | 402.90 | 404.74 | 401.57 | 421.60 | 402.27 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 266.06 | 265.72 | 254.45 | 255.94 | 262.75 | 268.69 | 259.39 | 267.51 | 277.79 | 272.93 | 276.29 | 266.68 | 266.81 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 550.55 | 565.31 | 562.51 | 570.57 | 562.42 | 578.42 | 624.96 | 637.22 | 591.00 | 583.57 | 587.10 | 550.83 | 580.01 |
| Printing and Publishing | 462.16 | 473.55 | 455.30 | 451.01 | 457.64 | 453.34 | 465.50 | 474.39 | 492.57 | 486.80 | 490.62 | 493.81 | 470.92 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 258.79 | 260.64 | 268.19 | 283.28 | 293.09 | 298.62 | 310.46 | 291.69 | 284.26 | 274.40 | 299.49 | 295.62 | 284.61 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 474.27 | 475.84 | 466.13 | 501.47 | 485.10 | 468.50 | 446.96 | 466.34 | 460.74 | 453.48 | 465.08 | 456.62 | 468.06 |

## 1992 (final) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS
### paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 464.40 | $ 458.96 | $ 465.22 | $ 454.69 | $ 461.34 | $ 462.04 | $ 444.40 | $ 457.47 | $ 462.11 | $ 486.03 | $ 479.03 | $ 502.71 | $ 466.75 |
| Durable Goods | 476.00 | 467.67 | 472.63 | 463.70 | 470.40 | 468.44 | 450.77 | 459.41 | 465.53 | 498.19 | 490.26 | 518.47 | 475.73 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 338.71 | 343.57 | 344.96 | 330.53 | 353.86 | 344.58 | 346.46 | 355.11 | 344.18 | 347.38 | 341.83 | 361.38 | 346.48 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 331.28 | 325.62 | 333.27 | 325.88 | 344.43 | 335.54 | 336.00 | 352.90 | 337.15 | 335.38 | 337.84 | 355.10 | 337.35 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 424.47 | 477.41 | 474.65 | 482.17 | 481.36 | 487.12 | 486.43 | 477.41 | 470.68 | 516.67 | 486.08 | 482.80 | 479.36 |
| Primary Metal Products | 538.12 | 541.18 | 538.13 | 535.02 | 527.35 | 554.50 | 533.12 | 514.36 | 502.55 | 530.43 | 526.61 | 557.32 | 533.05 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 430.13 | 424.50 | 440.59 | 427.85 | 427.33 | 434.96 | 437.54 | 424.66 | 428.60 | 437.65 | 419.89 | 433.60 | 430.14 |
| Industrial Machinery | 481.24 | 485.90 | 494.33 | 485.21 | 503.84 | 488.57 | 481.17 | 481.08 | 475.07 | 502.35 | 498.62 | 532.22 | 492.03 |
| Electronic Equipment | 450.13 | 445.01 | 447.29 | 434.06 | 442.78 | 439.46 | 437.57 | 433.26 | 437.57 | 515.42 | 528.75 | 558.35 | 463.69 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 329.48 | 330.58 | 330.89 | 340.56 | 329.47 | 332.90 | 318.06 | 328.95 | 331.87 | 339.21 | 333.70 | 338.52 | 331.49 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 619.01 | 561.11 | 562.18 | 554.18 | 558.76 | 564.00 | 460.85 | 555.36 | 598.85 | 628.82 | 587.73 | 638.32 | 574.08 |
| Nondurable Goods | 441.86 | 440.64 | 450.55 | 437.49 | 443.50 | 450.17 | 431.01 | 453.20 | 455.26 | 462.85 | 456.55 | 473.03 | 450.14 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 507.78 | 540.54 | 560.62 | 568.03 | 553.53 | 546.65 | 504.49 | 582.51 | 555.12 | 594.43 | 606.43 | 563.67 | 557.15 |
| Textile Mill Products | 377.05 | 378.33 | 391.68 | 379.76 | 388.75 | 392.70 | 380.42 | 390.31 | 389.05 | 374.07 | 374.77 | 412.97 | 386.10 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 261.23 | 244.88 | 256.89 | 225.74 | 257.18 | 252.97 | 222.40 | 242.08 | 244.97 | 272.68 | 273.33 | 272.84 | 252.34 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 529.87 | 525.60 | 530.75 | 539.46 | 536.11 | 567.29 | 579.70 | 553.88 | 587.86 | 559.20 | 560.14 | 604.36 | 556.74 |
| Printing and Publishing | 463.34 | 448.13 | 474.85 | 434.59 | 428.17 | 433.38 | 442.68 | 444.48 | 436.81 | 494.54 | 458.64 | 469.66 | 452.25 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 239.23 | 244.93 | 249.44 | 276.17 | 272.75 | 289.87 | 303.24 | 299.96 | 271.47 | 280.82 | 271.06 | 264.83 | 272.30 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 452.47 | 451.26 | 448.97 | 438.04 | 464.34 | 466.98 | 402.34 | 468.50 | 471.80 | 464.38 | 465.47 | 482.31 | 456.46 |

### 1993 (preliminary) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 470.20 | $ 467.71 | $ 474.31 | $ 448.69 | $ 454.26 | $ 459.02 | $ 498.37 | $ 483.06 | $ 482.56 | $ 471.58 | $ 481.73 | $ 469.66 | $ 471.65 |
| Durable Goods | 483.97 | 474.78 | 490.65 | 443.77 | 457.02 | 457.05 | 513.23 | 490.05 | 495.22 | 479.14 | 485.03 | 470.60 | 478.63 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 483.84 | 459.90 | 464.36 | 446.08 | 442.40 | 447.72 | 461.13 | 454.96 | 437.60 | 443.62 | 451.36 | 451.50 | 453.89 |
| Nondurable Goods | 447.20 | 453.42 | 448.75 | 457.09 | 451.94 | 460.53 | 474.05 | 470.18 | 463.61 | 461.05 | 477.81 | 469.63 | 461.07 |

### 1993 (preliminary) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 585.61 | $ 573.76 | $ 565.13 | $ 570.77 | $ 567.44 | $ 575.87 | $ 566.42 | $ 597.14 | $ 595.95 | $ 589.92 | $ 596.37 | $ 598.21 | $ 581.92 |
| Durable Goods | 603.70 | 576.96 | 570.48 | 567.17 | 567.33 | 586.44 | 565.65 | 590.63 | 589.80 | 581.33 | 594.56 | 602.50 | 583.32 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 502.24 | 531.12 | 520.38 | 518.92 | 528.09 | 547.11 | 524.58 | 552.05 | 542.59 | 526.21 | 540.82 | 555.15 | 531.10 |
| Nondurable Goods | 536.93 | 567.34 | 552.48 | 585.33 | 571.52 | 550.13 | 567.27 | 615.48 | 611.52 | 616.61 | 603.04 | 588.26 | 579.73 |

### 1993 (preliminary) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 451.61 | $ 469.37 | $ 469.94 | $ 484.34 | $ 474.56 | $ 466.95 | $ 434.46 | $ 468.31 | $ 469.53 | $ 464.12 | $ 466.75 | $ 478.08 | 466.05 |
| Durable Goods | 475.58 | 493.19 | 495.48 | 491.44 | 478.67 | 477.42 | 463.14 | 472.76 | 477.55 | 479.54 | 471.86 | 488.48 | 480.48 |
| Nondurable Goods | 420.00 | 436.59 | 433.70 | 474.22 | 468.10 | 453.53 | 388.50 | 458.22 | 456.87 | 443.90 | 461.32 | 464.34 | 447.17 |

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### 1992 (final) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 456.92 | $ 453.33 | $ 476.15 | $ 461.47 | $ 459.68 | $ 467.93 | $ 470.25 | $ 455.13 | $ 466.28 | $ 485.50 | $ 475.45 | $ 496.60 | $ 468.30 |
| Durable Goods | 459.26 | 458.30 | 477.24 | 464.63 | 459.50 | 462.73 | 500.63 | 458.90 | 474.29 | 488.36 | 478.72 | 481.92 | 472.46 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 461.04 | 456.62 | 492.50 | 464.28 | 465.63 | 464.83 | 486.98 | 446.61 | 466.52 | 491.50 | 460.65 | 468.66 | 468.50 |
| Nondurable Goods | 452.69 | 446.54 | 475.58 | 457.74 | 459.46 | 475.20 | 422.99 | 448.10 | 453.86 | 478.94 | 469.58 | 519.18 | 463.72 |

### 1992 (final) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 563.62 | $ 545.66 | $ 565.26 | $ 555.07 | $ 564.21 | $ 558.59 | $ 549.53 | $ 558.29 | $ 571.32 | $ 633.68 | $ 623.22 | $ 578.24 | $ 572.24 |
| Durable Goods | 572.88 | 549.17 | 574.21 | 580.19 | 572.43 | 567.43 | 552.80 | 558.78 | 578.34 | 654.24 | 636.64 | 579.26 | 579.08 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 512.62 | 521.21 | 550.37 | 543.31 | 552.60 | 542.68 | 528.35 | 533.32 | 538.02 | 645.92 | 667.37 | 539.24 | 555.22 |
| Nondurable Goods | 532.46 | 534.06 | 534.26 | 539.77 | 540.71 | 530.43 | 541.37 | 556.61 | 552.64 | 576.63 | 590.85 | 575.44 | 551.48 |

### 1992 (final) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

**paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993**

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 432.55 | $ 443.87 | $ 451.02 | $ [illegible] | $ 447.30 | $ 458.34 | $ 438.34 | $ 447.72 | $ 451.86 | $ 455.87 | $ 459.80 | $ 464.63 | $ 451.26 |
| Durable Goods | 436.84 | 454.44 | 466.65 | 470.65 | 455.15 | 469.33 | 467.60 | 453.42 | 459.89 | 469.94 | 484.16 | 520.98 | 466.95 |
| Nondurable Goods | 423.23 | 424.32 | 425.72 | 413.31 | 433.68 | 440.54 | 392.92 | 439.32 | 441.98 | 437.76 | 425.49 | 435.07 | 427.92 |

## 1993 (preliminary) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 11.43 | $ 11.63 | $ 11.51 | $ 11.63 | $ 11.58 | $ 11.54 | $ 11.69 | $ 11.70 | $ 11.67 | $ 11.64 | $ 11.64 | $ 11.70 | $ 11.61 |
| Durable Goods | 11.70 | 11.90 | 11.80 | 11.89 | 11.87 | 11.81 | 11.88 | 11.96 | 11.88 | 11.81 | 11.87 | 11.92 | 11.86 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 8.93 | 8.92 | 9.02 | 8.95 | 8.84 | 8.93 | 8.69 | 8.86 | 9.02 | 8.92 | 8.85 | 8.93 | 8.91 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 8.49 | 8.23 | 8.50 | 8.11 | 8.07 | 8.38 | 8.87 | 8.94 | 8.45 | 8.62 | 8.42 | 9.77 | 8.59 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 11.14 | 11.31 | 11.49 | 11.52 | 11.52 | 11.53 | 11.72 | 11.68 | 11.52 | 11.56 | 11.76 | 12.06 | 11.57 |
| Primary Metal Products | 11.78 | 12.16 | 11.93 | 11.84 | 11.98 | 11.51 | 11.84 | 11.85 | 11.91 | 11.87 | 12.05 | 11.99 | 11.89 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 10.74 | 10.77 | 10.93 | 11.04 | 10.76 | 11.18 | 11.26 | 11.05 | 11.09 | 10.88 | 11.08 | 11.40 | 11.02 |
| Industrial Machinery | 11.84 | 12.38 | 12.05 | 12.51 | 12.32 | 12.24 | 12.16 | 12.28 | 12.30 | 12.16 | 12.11 | 11.92 | 12.19 |
| Electronic Equipment | 11.39 | 11.75 | 11.79 | 11.81 | 11.88 | 11.56 | 11.71 | 11.68 | 11.32 | 11.33 | 11.38 | 11.63 | 11.60 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 9.01 | 9.04 | 9.04 | 8.87 | 8.69 | 8.94 | 8.87 | 8.86 | 9.31 | 9.23 | 9.82 | 9.33 | 9.08 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 14.52 | 14.49 | 14.13 | 14.60 | 14.59 | 14.51 | 14.49 | 15.15 | 15.06 | 15.14 | 15.12 | 15.01 | 14.73 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.90 | 11.10 | 10.95 | 11.15 | 11.04 | 11.01 | 11.32 | 11.23 | 11.27 | 11.33 | 11.22 | 11.27 | 11.15 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 13.75 | 14.43 | 14.01 | 14.09 | 14.53 | 14.58 | 16.22 | 17.42 | 17.03 | 17.03 | 16.42 | 15.65 | 15.45 |
| Textile Mill Products | 9.57 | 9.37 | 9.48 | 9.54 | 9.51 | 9.22 | 9.29 | 9.34 | 9.48 | 9.80 | 9.63 | 9.92 | 9.51 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 7.23 | 7.26 | 6.84 | 7.44 | 7.14 | 7.50 | 7.39 | 7.23 | 7.59 | 7.71 | 7.29 | 7.47 | 7.35 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 12.10 | 12.37 | 12.39 | 12.35 | 12.28 | 12.52 | 12.60 | 12.47 | 12.39 | 12.39 | 12.36 | 12.81 | 12.42 |
| Printing and Publishing | 11.82 | 12.30 | 11.95 | 11.90 | 11.96 | 11.93 | 12.25 | 12.29 | 12.47 | 12.45 | 12.58 | 12.47 | 12.20 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 7.09 | 7.20 | 7.19 | 7.32 | 7.42 | 7.56 | 7.92 | 7.46 | 7.54 | 7.58 | 7.84 | 7.58 | 7.47 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 10.73 | 10.79 | 10.79 | 11.07 | 11.00 | 10.77 | 10.77 | 10.77 | 10.69 | 10.67 | 10.57 | 10.57 | 10.76 |

## 1992 (final) NEW HAMPSHIRE PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 11.11 | $ 10.98 | $ 11.21 | $ 11.09 | $ 11.09 | $ 11.08 | $ 11.11 | $ 11.05 | $ 11.41 | $ 11.49 | $ 11.46 | $ 11.53 | $ 11.22 |
| Durable Goods | 11.20 | 11.03 | 11.28 | 11.12 | 11.20 | 11.18 | 11.13 | 11.07 | 11.41 | 11.64 | 11.59 | 11.73 | 11.30 |
| Lumber and Wood Products | 8.89 | 8.72 | 8.96 | 8.63 | 9.05 | 8.95 | 9.19 | 8.90 | 9.01 | 8.93 | 8.81 | 9.08 | 8.93 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 8.08 | 8.06 | 8.05 | 8.25 | 8.24 | 7.97 | 8.00 | 8.15 | 7.58 | 8.16 | 8.24 | 8.22 | 8.09 |
| Stone, Clay, Glass Products | 10.94 | 11.73 | 11.09 | 11.11 | 10.99 | 11.25 | 11.26 | 11.34 | 11.18 | 11.04 | 11.20 | 11.36 | 11.20 |
| Primary Metal Products | 12.23 | 12.08 | 12.12 | 12.05 | 12.04 | 12.16 | 11.90 | 11.69 | 11.66 | 12.25 | 12.19 | 12.33 | 12.06 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 10.44 | 10.43 | 10.96 | 10.75 | 10.63 | 10.82 | 10.62 | 10.59 | 11.22 | 10.47 | 10.63 | 10.84 | 10.70 |
| Industrial Machinery | 11.35 | 11.46 | 11.39 | 11.39 | 11.69 | 11.55 | 11.19 | 11.40 | 11.73 | 11.82 | 11.76 | 11.80 | 11.55 |
| Electronic Equipment | 10.07 | 10.16 | 10.33 | 9.91 | 9.95 | 9.92 | 10.32 | 9.96 | 10.32 | 10.92 | 11.42 | 11.56 | 10.42 |
| Miscellaneous Mfg. | 8.47 | 8.52 | 8.55 | 8.60 | 8.58 | 8.56 | 8.37 | 8.50 | 9.27 | 8.72 | 8.69 | 8.57 | 8.61 |
| Instruments and Related Products | 14.23 | 12.84 | 13.95 | 14.03 | 14.11 | 14.10 | 14.63 | 14.24 | 14.43 | 15.76 | 14.30 | 14.28 | 14.21 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.91 | 10.88 | 11.07 | 11.02 | 10.87 | 10.90 | 11.08 | 11.00 | 11.41 | 11.18 | 11.19 | 11.13 | 11.06 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 16.12 | 15.40 | 14.91 | 15.52 | 14.84 | 14.50 | 15.15 | 14.98 | 14.57 | 15.48 | 16.39 | 14.27 | 15.14 |
| Textile Mill Products | 9.45 | 9.25 | 9.53 | 9.59 | 9.39 | 9.35 | 9.37 | 9.36 | 9.63 | 9.47 | 9.44 | 9.45 | 9.44 |
| Apparel and Other Textiles | 6.58 | 6.53 | 6.57 | 6.82 | 6.84 | 6.71 | 6.95 | 6.80 | 6.73 | 6.80 | 7.25 | 7.18 | 6.82 |
| Paper and Allied Products | 12.07 | 12.00 | 12.09 | 12.15 | 11.94 | 12.07 | 12.23 | 12.12 | 13.30 | 12.29 | 12.42 | 12.67 | 12.29 |
| Printing and Publishing | 11.82 | 11.67 | 12.27 | 11.62 | 11.51 | 11.65 | 11.90 | 11.79 | 12.10 | 12.52 | 11.70 | 11.89 | 11.87 |
| Leather and Leather Product | 7.12 | 7.12 | 7.23 | 7.65 | 7.14 | 7.32 | 7.60 | 7.37 | 7.52 | 7.39 | 7.19 | 7.10 | 7.32 |
| Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products | 10.26 | 10.35 | 10.49 | 10.38 | 10.65 | 10.76 | 10.56 | 10.77 | 11.18 | 10.70 | 10.85 | 10.79 | 10.64 |

## 1993 (preliminary) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 11.33 | $ 11.27 | $ 11.32 | $ 10.78 | $ 11.30 | $ 11.39 | $ 11.98 | $ 11.64 | $ 11.60 | $ 11.53 | $ 11.58 | $ 11.29 | $ 11.42 |
| Durable Goods | 11.69 | 11.58 | 11.71 | 10.85 | 11.57 | 11.81 | 12.61 | 12.10 | 12.02 | 11.86 | 11.83 | 11.45 | 11.76 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 11.20 | 10.95 | 11.03 | 10.88 | 11.06 | 10.66 | 11.33 | 11.46 | 10.94 | 10.82 | 10.85 | 10.75 | 10.99 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.75 | 10.77 | 10.71 | 10.63 | 10.89 | 10.76 | 11.05 | 10.96 | 10.96 | 11.03 | 11.19 | 11.05 | 10.90 |

## 1993 (preliminary) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 13.37 | $ 13.96 | $ 13.75 | $ 13.82 | $ 13.84 | $ 13.91 | $ 14.09 | $ 14.60 | $ 14.50 | $ 14.53 | $ 14.44 | $ 14.38 | $ 14.09 |
| Durable Goods | 13.21 | 13.77 | 13.55 | 13.44 | 13.54 | 13.67 | 13.83 | 14.13 | 14.11 | 14.11 | 14.19 | 14.11 | 13.79 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 11.68 | 12.86 | 12.39 | 12.04 | 12.14 | 12.35 | 12.49 | 12.72 | 12.56 | 12.44 | 12.49 | 12.56 | 12.38 |
| Nondurable Goods | 13.91 | 14.51 | 14.35 | 14.97 | 14.73 | 14.87 | 14.85 | 16.07 | 15.68 | 15.77 | 15.19 | 15.24 | 14.98 |

## 1993 (preliminary) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 10.83 | $ 11.07 | $ 10.98 | $ 11.16 | $ 11.14 | $ 10.91 | $ 11.14 | $ 11.05 | $ 11.10 | $ 11.13 | $ 11.22 | $ 11.17 | $ 11.07 |
| Durable Goods | 11.06 | 11.26 | 11.21 | 11.22 | 11.21 | 10.95 | 11.16 | 11.15 | 11.21 | 11.31 | 11.37 | 11.36 | 11.20 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.50 | 10.78 | 10.63 | 11.08 | 11.04 | 10.85 | 11.10 | 10.91 | 10.93 | 10.88 | 11.01 | 10.90 | 10.88 |

## 1992 (final) MANCHESTER PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 11.01 | $ 10.95 | $ 11.31 | $ 11.04 | $ 11.05 | $ 11.01 | $ 11.25 | $ 11.02 | $ 11.29 | $ 11.37 | $ 11.24 | $ 11.21 | $ 11.15 |
| Durable Goods | 11.12 | 11.07 | 11.39 | 11.25 | 11.29 | 11.15 | 11.43 | 11.22 | 11.54 | 11.60 | 11.48 | 11.42 | 11.33 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 10.55 | 10.57 | 11.27 | 10.95 | 10.93 | 10.76 | 10.87 | 10.71 | 10.90 | 11.12 | 10.89 | 10.95 | 10.87 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.83 | 10.76 | 11.19 | 10.72 | 10.71 | 10.80 | 10.93 | 10.72 | 10.91 | 11.01 | 10.87 | 10.93 | 10.86 |

## 1992 (final) NASHUA PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 13.68 | $ 13.54 | $ 13.72 | $ 13.44 | $ 13.37 | $ 13.46 | $ 13.67 | $ 13.65 | $ 13.80 | $ 14.24 | $ 14.10 | $ 13.67 | $ 13.69 |
| Durable Goods | 13.64 | 13.46 | 13.77 | 13.15 | 13.22 | 13.32 | 13.45 | 13.40 | 13.64 | 14.10 | 13.78 | 13.44 | 13.53 |
| Machinery & Electr. Equip. | 12.72 | 12.62 | 13.10 | 12.32 | 12.28 | 12.39 | 12.64 | 12.49 | 12.60 | 12.69 | 13.06 | 12.20 | 12.59 |
| Nondurable Goods | 13.83 | 13.80 | 13.56 | 14.51 | 13.90 | 13.96 | 14.36 | 14.42 | 14.28 | 14.71 | 15.15 | 14.35 | 14.25 |

## 1992 (final) PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
## paid for work in Nonagricultural Jobs, by Place of Employment, Benchmarked on Covered Employment Data reported through March 1993

| Industry | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | $ 10.55 | $ 10.67 | $ 10.79 | $ 10.68 | $ 10.65 | $ 10.81 | $ 10.85 | $ 10.66 | $ 10.81 | $ 10.88 | $ 10.87 | $ 11.09 | $ 10.77 |
| Durable Goods | 10.60 | 10.92 | 10.98 | 10.77 | 10.76 | 10.94 | 11.16 | 10.77 | 10.72 | 10.98 | 11.13 | 11.45 | 10.91 |
| Nondurable Goods | 10.45 | 10.40 | 10.46 | 10.49 | 10.45 | 10.59 | 10.34 | 10.51 | 10.94 | 10.73 | 10.48 | 10.56 | 10.54 |

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# ECONOMIC CONDITIONS in New Hampshire

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A MONTHLY PUBLICATION FROM THE ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET INFORMATION BUREAU OF NEW HAMPSHIRE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

## *Employment*

- New Hampshire's preliminary, not seasonally adjusted, unemployment rate rose to 5.9 percent in February, up 0.4 percentage points from the revised estimate of 5.5 percent for January. Last February's rate was 7.9 percent. However, 1993 rates are not strictly comparable to this year's estimates due to changes in the Current Population Survey.
- The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined, in February, to 7.1 percent, 0.2 percentage points lower than January. In February 1993, the unadjusted rate was 7.7 percent.
- The state's labor force slipped to 613,840. February employment decreased by 13,210, while unemployment rose by 1,550.
- Total New Hampshire nonfarm jobs increased, seasonally, to an estimated 505,800 jobs, up from January's revised total of 501,900.
- Manufacturing employment increased by 300 jobs in February. Construction employment fell off by 500 jobs and trade by 1,200 jobs.
- February-to-February, nonagricultural wage and salary employment climbed by 20,800 jobs. Services grew by 9,300; retail trade by 4,800.

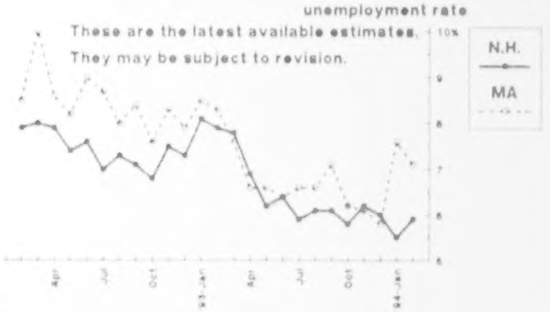
In this issue...

Starting with this issue, we include the revised January unemployment rate estimates for the substate areas as well as the preliminary monthly estimates for February.

Attached to this issue is a new fact-sheet about our electronic bulletin board, "New Hampshire Works"

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

**N.H. & MASS RATES MOVED IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY**



These are the latest available estimates. They may be subject to revision.

**Figure a.**

N.H. AND MASSACHUSETTS UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

**NH NONFARM JOBS GREW AT DOUBLE THE US RATE OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS**

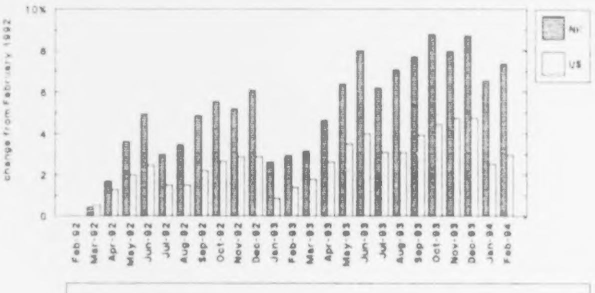


**Figure b.**

% INCREASE OF JOBS IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT FROM FEBRUARY 1992 NH vs. US

### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | **Number of Workers**<br>February 1994 | <br>January 1994 | <br>February 1993 | **Net Change From Previous:**<br>Month | <br>Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 613,840 | 625,500 | 615,380 | -11,660 | -1,540 |
| Employed | 577,620 | 590,830 | 566,620 | -13,210 | 11,000 |
| Unemployed | 36,220 | 34,670 | 48,760 | 1,550 | -12,540 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 5.9% | 5.5% | 7.9% | — | — |

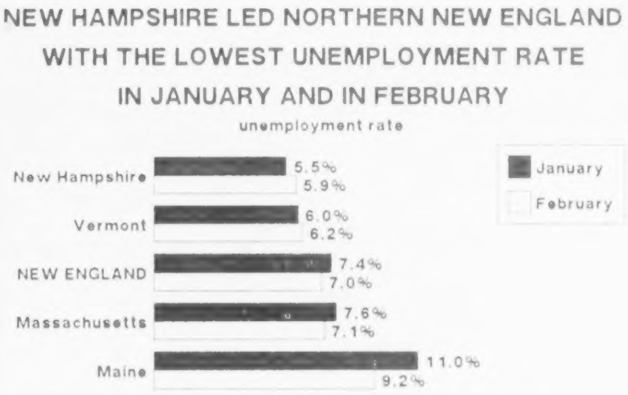


**Figure c.**
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | February 1994 | January 1994 | February 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 7.1% | 7.3% | 7.7% |
| **New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas** | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 5.7% | 5.4% | 7.7% |
| Nashua PMSA | 6.3% | 5.7% | 7.7% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 5.3% | 5.2% | 7.0% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 5.9% | 6.3% | 7.1% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 8.3% | 8.6% | 9.1% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 7.4% | 8.0% | 9.1% |
| **in the Region** | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 7.0% | 7.4% | 8.0% |
| Connecticut | 5.4% | 5.0% | 6.7% |
| Maine | 9.2% | 11.0% | 9.2% |
| Massachusetts | 7.1% | 7.6% | 8.3% |
| New Hampshire | 5.9% | 5.5% | 7.9% |
| Rhode Island | 9.0% | 9.2% | 11.3% |
| Vermont | 6.2% | 6.0% | 6.9% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 7.7% | 7.3% | 7.3% |
| New York | 8.5% | 8.2% | 8.5% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.1% | 6.7% | 8.2% |

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# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

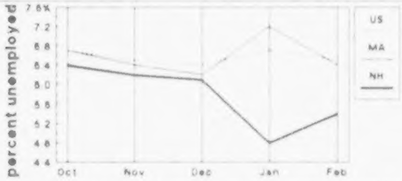
February's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for New Hampshire was 5.4 percent; the national seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for February was 6.5 percent.

Table 3 **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.4% | 6.2% | 6.1% | 4.8% | 5.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 623,180 | 622,660 | 621,500 | 626,970 | 618,310 |
| Number Employed | 583,210 | 583,830 | 583,760 | 596,750 | 585,160 |
| Number Unemployed | 39,970 | 38,830 | 37,740 | 30,220 | 33,150 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.7% | 6.5% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,580 | 128,662 | 128,898 | 130,667 | 130,7[illegible] |
| Number Employed | 119,941 | 120,332 | 120,661 | 121,971 | 122,258 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,639 | 8,330 | 8,237 | 8,696 | 8,518 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

**Figure d.**
**NH/MASSACHUSETTS/US SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**1994 NH ADJUSTED RATES MOVE CONTRARY TO MASS AND US RATES**

Table 4 **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Oct-93 | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 504,400 | 504,000 | 504,600 | 508,800 | 513,100 |
| mining* | 500 | 500 | 400 | 300 | 300 |
| construction | 17,200 | 17,600 | 17,000 | 18,100 | 18,400 |
| manufacturing | 96,700 | 97,100 | 97,100 | 97,100 | 97,900 |
| durable goods | 65,000 | 65,300 | 65,300 | 65,300 | 66,000 |
| nondurable goods | 31,700 | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,900 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 17,900 | 17,900 | 18,000 | 18,100 | 18,300 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 129,200 | 129,000 | 129,300 | 129,900 | 130,400 |
| wholesale trade | 23,000 | 22,800 | 22,800 | 22,900 | 22,700 |
| retail trade | 106,200 | 106,200 | 106,500 | 107,000 | 107,700 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,900 | 29,900 | 29,900 | 30,100 | 30,000 |
| services | 138,700 | 138,500 | 138,200 | 140,100 | 141,200 |
| government | 74,500 | 73,900 | 74,100 | 75,100 | 76,600 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment has gained 9,700 jobs since October.

**SERVICES AND RETAIL TRADE ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF THE NONAG JOBS GROWTH OVER THE YEAR**

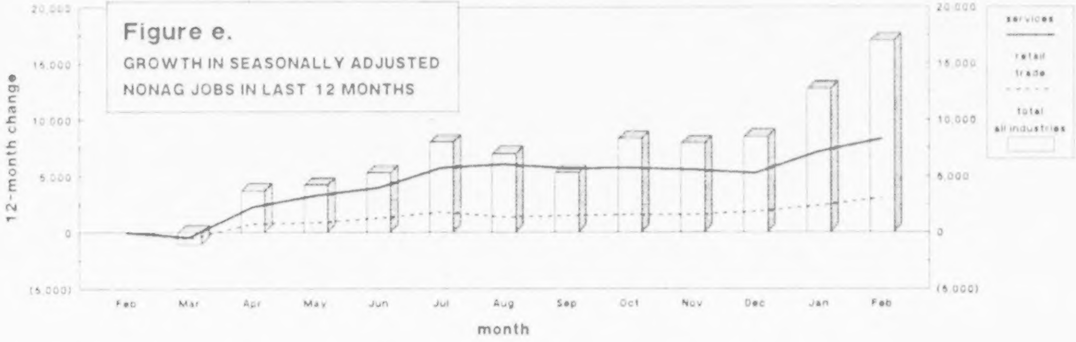


**Figure e.**
**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS IN LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change**<br>From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | FEBRUARY 1994 | JANUARY 1994 | FEBRUARY 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 505,800 | 501,900 | 485,000 | 3,900 | 20,800 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** - | 427,000 | 427,300 | 409,500 | -300 | 17,500 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** - | 113,100 | 113,300 | 110,900 | -200 | 2,200 |
| MINING | 300 | 300 | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 15,300 | 15,800 | 13,500 | -500 | 1,800 |
| MANUFACTURING | 97,500 | 97,200 | 97,100 | 300 | 400 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal*** - | 65,700 | 65,400 | 65,600 | 300 | 100 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,000 | 4,100 | 4,200 | -100 | -200 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,100 | 0 | 200 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,800 | 0 | 100 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,600 | 4,300 | 4,000 | 300 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,100 | -100 | 200 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,600 | 18,400 | 19,400 | 200 | -800 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 14,100 | 14,000 | 13,300 | 100 | 800 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 11,000 | 11,100 | 11,700 | -100 | -700 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal*** - | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,500 | 0 | 300 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 0 | 0 |
| Textile mill products | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 0 | 100 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 0 | 100 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,800 | 0 | -300 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,700 | 7,400 | 100 | 400 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 0 | -100 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,500 | 8,500 | 8,000 | 0 | 500 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** - | 313,900 | 314,000 | 298,600 | -100 | 15,300 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 18,100 | 17,900 | 17,400 | 200 | 700 |
| **Trade Total** - | 126,700 | 127,900 | 121,900 | -1,200 | 4,800 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 22,400 | 22,600 | 22,400 | -200 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 104,300 | 105,300 | 99,500 | -1,000 | 4,800 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,700 | 29,800 | 29,200 | -100 | 500 |
| SERVICES | 139,400 | 138,400 | 130,100 | 1,000 | 9,300 |
| Health Services | 42,200 | 42,000 | 41,300 | 200 | 900 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total** - | 78,800 | 74,600 | 75,500 | 4,200 | 3,300 |
| Federal | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,400 | 0 | 200 |
| State | 23,600 | 19,700 | 21,100 | 3,900 | 2,500 |
| Local | 47,600 | 47,300 | 47,000 | 300 | 600 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** - | 392,700 | 388,600 | 374,100 | 4,100 | 18,600 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

## Table 6. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH

| **Current Employment Statistics** (CES or BLS 790) program | **Manchester PMSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Employment by Industry** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **Number of Jobs** by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | FEBRUARY 1994 | JANUARY 1994 | FEBRUARY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | FEBRUARY 1994 | JANUARY 1994 | FEBRUARY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | FEBRUARY 1994 | JANUARY 1994 | FEBRUARY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 85,500 | 85,200 | 82,200 | 300 | 3,300 | 79,800 | 79,600 | 77,900 | 200 | 1,900 | 102,500 | 100,100 | 98,300 | 2,400 | 4,200 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 75,200 | 75,000 | 72,200 | 200 | 3,000 | 72,700 | 72,500 | 70,800 | 200 | 1,900 | 78,100 | 78,400 | 74,200 | -300 | 3,900 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,300 | 14,500 | 13,800 | -200 | 500 | 28,600 | 28,500 | 29,100 | 100 | -500 | 19,200 | 19,500 | 19,300 | -300 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,000 | 3,100 | 2,500 | -100 | 500 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 2,100 | -100 | -200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,300 | 11,400 | 11,300 | -100 | 0 | 26,600 | 26,500 | 27,100 | 100 | -500 | 17,300 | 17,500 | 17,200 | -200 | 100 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,900 | 6,900 | 7,100 | 0 | -200 | 21,000 | 20,800 | 21,100 | 200 | -100 | 9,900 | 10,100 | 10,000 | -200 | -100 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,000 | 0 | 300 | 11,800 | 11,600 | 12,000 | 200 | -200 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,400 | 4,500 | 4,200 | -100 | 200 | 5,600 | 5,700 | 6,000 | -100 | -400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,200 | 0 | 200 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 60,900 | 60,500 | 58,400 | 400 | 2,500 | 44,100 | 44,000 | 41,700 | 100 | 2,400 | 58,900 | 58,900 | 54,900 | 0 | 4,000 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,700 | 5,400 | 5,100 | 300 | 600 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,000 | 100 | 500 |
| **Trade Total -** | 21,000 | 21,400 | 21,000 | -400 | 0 | 19,500 | 19,900 | 18,900 | -400 | 600 | 24,200 | 24,000 | 23,600 | 200 | 600 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,700 | 4,800 | 5,300 | -100 | -600 | 3,200 | 3,400 | 3,200 | -200 | 0 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 100 | 200 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,300 | 16,600 | 15,700 | -300 | 600 | 16,300 | 16,500 | 15,700 | -200 | 600 | 20,900 | 20,800 | 20,500 | 100 | 400 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,600 | 100 | -400 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,100 | -100 | 0 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,600 | 0 | 200 |
| SERVICES | 27,000 | 26,600 | 24,700 | 400 | 2,300 | 19,300 | 18,700 | 17,700 | 600 | 1,600 | 24,400 | 24,700 | 21,700 | -300 | 2,700 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 10,300 | 10,200 | 10,000 | 100 | 300 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 0 | 0 | 24,400 | 21,700 | 24,100 | 2,700 | 300 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,400 | 6,400 | 7,700 | 0 | -1,300 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 100 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 0 | 100 | 8,000 | 5,400 | 6,800 | 2,600 | 1,200 |
| Local | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,300 | 0 | 200 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 0 | 0 | 10,000 | 9,900 | 9,600 | 100 | 400 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 71,200 | 70,700 | 68,400 | 500 | 2,800 | 51,200 | 51,100 | 48,800 | 100 | 2,400 | 83,300 | 80,600 | 79,000 | 2,700 | 4,300 |

**Manchester PMSA --** includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

**Nashua PMSA --** includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA --** includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth, the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood,, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham, and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, and York.

Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

| **New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY** | FEBRUARY 1994 | JANUARY 1994 | FEBRUARY 1993 | **Change from Previous Month** Net | Percent | **Change from Previous Year** Net | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 3,757 | 5,258 | 4,301 | -1,501 | -28.5% | -544 | -12.6% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 32,490 | 35,825 | 36,662 | -3,335 | -9.3% | -4,172 | -11.4% |
| **FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 633 | 900 | 914 | -267 | -29.7% | -281 | -30.7% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 5,490 | 6,350 | 12,998 | -860 | -13.5% | -7,508 | -57.8% |

Continued weeks claimed and initial claims for both the regular unemployment compensation and the EUC programs decreased in February.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of January: $164,653,423.47
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $146.61
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $4,134,196.69
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $3,840,232.90
- ☐ Interest Received: $2,869,610.22

### TOTAL CONTINUED CLAIMS TAIL OFF AS BOTH UI AND EUC CLAIMS SLIP

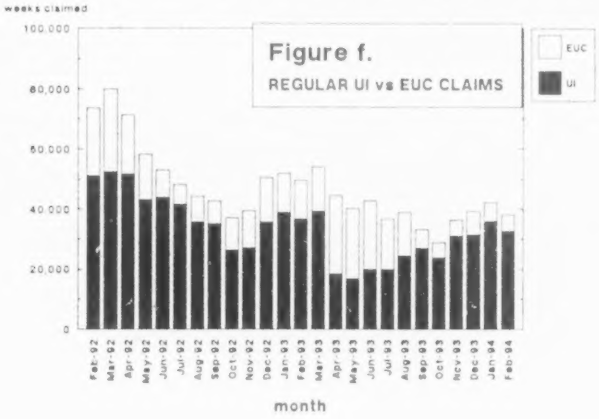


**Figure f.** REGULAR UI vs EUC CLAIMS

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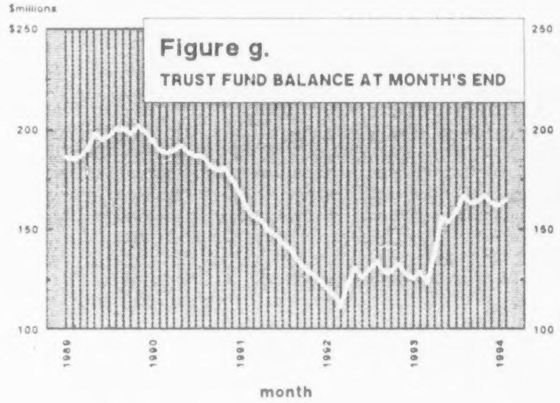

**Figure g.** TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

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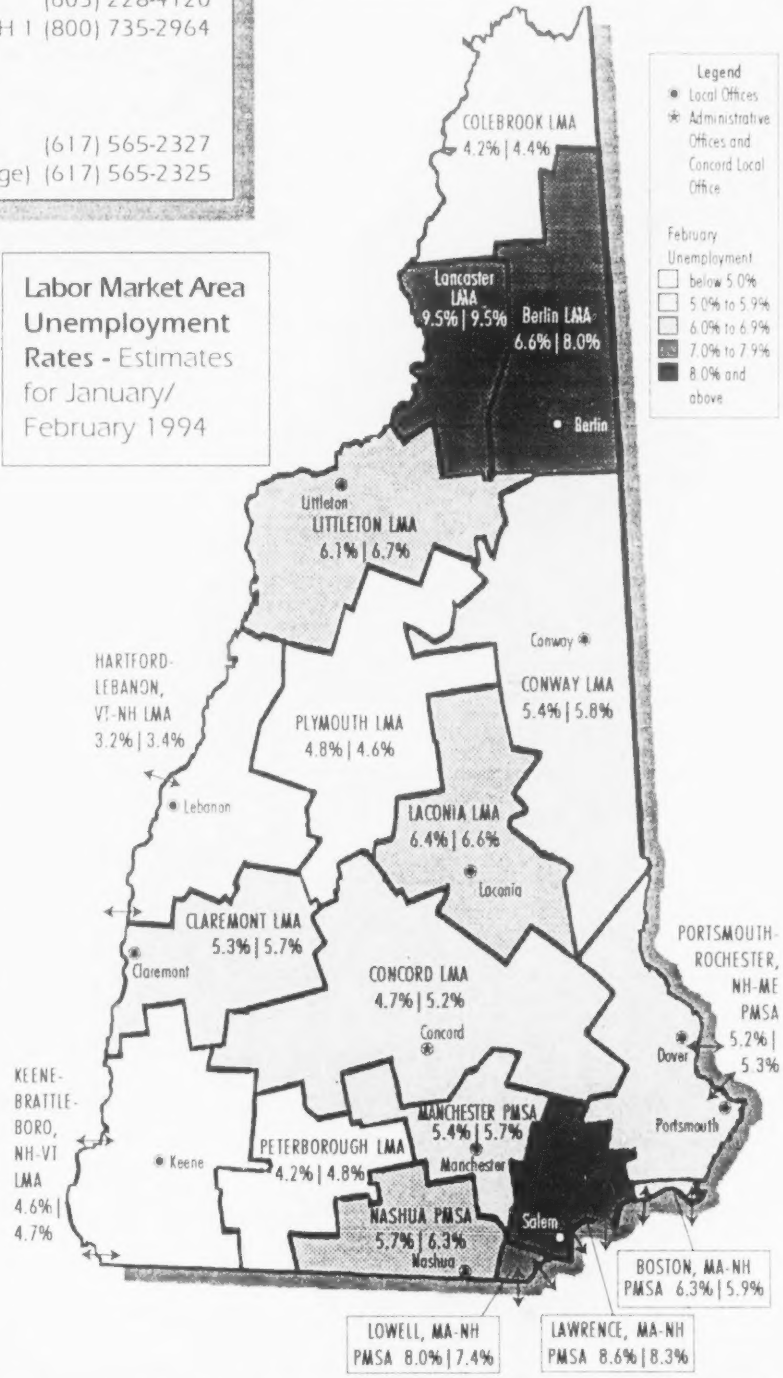
## County Unemployment Rates - Estimates for January/February 1994

| | January | February | | January | February |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 6.8% | 7.2% | Hillsborough | 5.6% | 6.0% |
| Carroll | 5.5% | 5.7% | Merrimack | 4.5% | 4.9% |
| Cheshire | 5.1% | 4.9% | Rockingham | 6.3% | 6.8% |
| Coos | 6.9% | 7.7% | Strafford | 5.3% | 5.5% |
| Grafton | 4.2% | 4.2% | Sullivan | 5.1% | 5.6% |

## Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates - Estimates for January/February 1994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● Local Offices
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February Unemployment
☐ below 5.0%
☐ 5.0% to 5.9%
☐ 6.0% to 6.9%
▨ 7.0% to 7.9%
■ 8.0% and above
COLEBROOK LMA 4.2% | 4.4%
Lancaster LMA 9.5% | 9.5%
Berlin LMA 6.6% | 8.0%
Berlin
Littleton
LITTLETON LMA 6.1% | 6.7%
Conway
CONWAY LMA 5.4% | 5.8%
HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 3.2% | 3.4%
PLYMOUTH LMA 4.8% | 4.6%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 6.4% | 6.6%
Laconia
CLAREMONT LMA 5.3% | 5.7%
Claremont
CONCORD LMA 4.7% | 5.2%
Concord
PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA 5.2% | 5.3%
Dover
Portsmouth
KEENE-BRATTLEBORO, NH-VT LMA 4.6% | 4.7%
Keene
PETERBOROUGH LMA 4.2% | 4.8%
MANCHESTER PMSA 5.4% | 5.7%
Manchester
NASHUA PMSA 5.7% | 6.3%
Nashua
Salem
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 6.3% | 5.9%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 8.0% | 7.4%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 8.6% | 8.3%

# Did you know?

## Third quarter estimates of personal income were released in the January issue of the *Survey of Current Business.*

Personal income in the Nation increased 0.7 percent in the third quarter of 1993 after increasing 2.3 percent in the second quarter. New Hampshire was one of ten states, and the only New England state, to have its personal income to increase at twice the U.S. rate during the third quarter.

During the third quarter of 1993, increases in personal income of at least twice the U.S. rate were recorded by the following states:

| | |
|---|---|
| UTAH | 2.3% |
| NEW MEXICO | 1.9% |
| ARIZONA | 1.5% |
| LOUISIANA | 1.5% |
| COLORADO | 1.5% |
| ALASKA | 1.4% |
| DELAWARE | 1.4% |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 1.4% |
| NEVADA | 1.4% |
| FLORIDA | 1.4% |

In Louisiana, Florida, Delaware, and New Hampshire, personal income growth was boosted by above-average increases in payrolls in durables manufacturing and in government.

States with declines in total personal income during the same period were:

| | |
|---|---|
| VERMONT | -0.1% |
| IDAHO | -0.3% |
| ARKANSAS | -0.6% |
| MONTANA | -1.1% |
| MINNESOTA | -1.4% |
| MISSOURI | -1.5% |
| KANSAS | -2.1% |
| NEBRASKA | -2.8% |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | -3.0% |
| IOWA | -4.3% |
| NORTH DAKOTA | -7.1% |

In Vermont, changes in payrolls were below average in all major nonfarm industries except nondurables manufacturing.

Survey of Current Business, U.S. Department of Commerce, January 1994.

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

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**In this issue...**

The 1993 LAUS benchmark incorporates revised population numbers, the new methodology, and the new labor market areas - see "Hot off the Press", page 5.

- New Hampshire's preliminary, not seasonally adjusted, unemployment rate fell by 0.7 percentage points to 5.2 percent in March, down from the revised estimate of 5.9 percent for February. Last March the rate was 7.8 percent. However, 1993 rates are not strictly comparable to this year's estimates due to changes in the Current Population Survey.
- The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined, in March, to 6.8 percent, from February's 7.1 percent. In March 1993, the unadjusted rate was 7.3 percent.
- The state's labor force sprang back to 590,770. March employment rose by 13,310, while unemployment fell by nearly 4,000.
- The estimate of total New Hampshire nonfarm jobs edged up, seasonally, to 507,200 jobs, from February's revised total of 505,200.
- Among the various industry divisions; only the Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate division showed a (slight) decline.
- A 4.4 percent increase in the nonag jobs total from March 1993 was driven, primarily, by jobs added in Services and in Retail Trade.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

**N.H. & NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES DIVERGED IN THE 1ST QUARTER OF 1994**

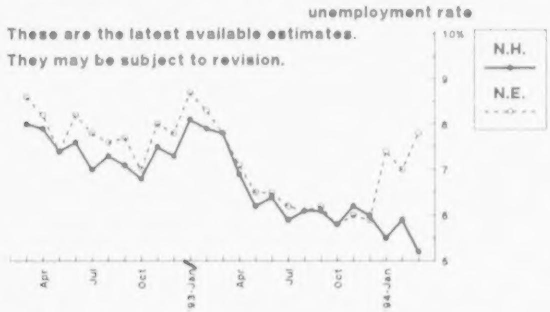

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

**WE HAVE GAINED BACK NEARLY TWO THIRDS OF THE JOBS LOST DURING THE RECESSION**

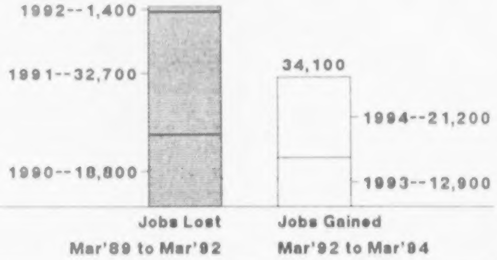

**Figure b.**
NONAGRICULTURAL JOBS LOST FROM MARCH 1989 TO MARCH 1992 COMPARED TO GAINS FROM MARCH 1992

### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers<br>March 1994 | <br>February 1994 | <br>March 1993 | Net Change From Previous:<br>Month | <br>Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 623,070 | 613,740 | 616,180 | 9,330 | 6,890 |
| Employed | 590,770 | 577,460 | 568,120 | 13,310 | 22,650 |
| Unemployed | 32,300 | 36,280 | 48,060 | -3,980 | -15,760 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 5.2% | 5.9% | 7.8% | — | — |

### NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR MARCH RANKS DEAD CENTER AMONG U.S. CENSUS DIVISIONS

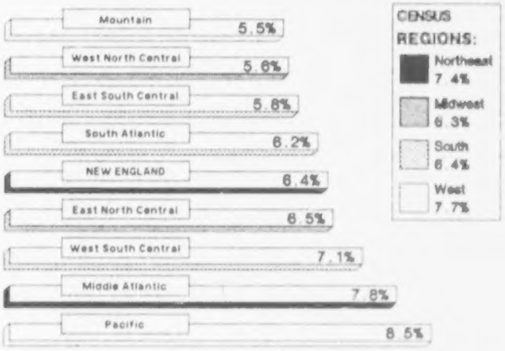

**Figure c.**
MARCH UNEMPLOYMENT, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED IN U.S. CENSUS DIVISIONS

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | March 1994 | February 1994 | March 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.8% | 7.1% | 7.3% |
| **New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas** | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 5.1% | 5.7% | 7.3% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.6% | 6.2% | 7.7% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 4.6% | 5.4% | 6.9% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 5.5% | 5.9% | 6.5% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 7.7% | 8.3% | 8.7% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.7% | 7.4% | 8.6% |
| **in the Region** | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 6.4% | 7.0% | 7.8% |
| Connecticut | 5.1% | 5.4% | 6.3% |
| Maine | 8.6% | 9.3% | 9.2% |
| Massachusetts | 6.7% | 7.1% | 7.6% |
| New Hampshire | 5.2% | 5.9% | 7.8% |
| Rhode Island | 8.4% | 9.0% | 8.7% |
| Vermont | 5.5% | 6.2% | 6.3% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 8.4% | 7.7% | 8.5% |
| New York | 8.1% | 8.5% | 7.6% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.9% | 6.1% | 7.2% |

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# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire 's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.6 percent; the New England seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March (6.4%) was just under the U.S. rate at 6.5 percent.

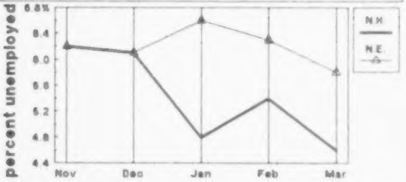
Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.2% | 6.1% | 4.8% | 5.4% | 4.6% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 622,660 | 621,500 | 626,970 | 618,210 | 625,590 |
| Number Employed | 583,830 | 583,760 | 596,750 | 585,000 | 596,880 |
| Number Unemployed | 38,830 | 37,740 | 30,220 | 33,210 | 28,710 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.5% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,662 | 128,898 | 130,667 | 130,776 | 130,580 |
| Number Employed | 120,332 | 120,661 | 121,971 | 122,258 | 122,037 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,330 | 8,237 | 8,696 | 8,518 | 8,543 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates*

**Figure d.**

**N.H. AND N.E. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**COINCIDING AT THE END OF '93**

**N.E. & N.H. RATES PART IN '94**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment showed no gain from February.

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Nov-93 | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 504,000 | 504,600 | 508,800 | 513,100 | 513,100 |
| mining* | 500 | 400 | 300 | 300 | 400 |
| construction | 17,600 | 17,000 | 18,100 | 18,400 | 18,400 |
| manufacturing | 97,100 | 97,100 | 97,100 | 97,900 | 97,900 |
| durable goods | 65,300 | 65,300 | 65,300 | 66,000 | 66,000 |
| nondurable goods | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,900 | 31,900 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 17,900 | 18,000 | 18,100 | 18,300 | 18,300 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 129,000 | 129,300 | 129,900 | 130,400 | 130,400 |
| wholesale trade | 22,800 | 22,800 | 22,900 | 22,700 | 22,700 |
| retail trade | 106,200 | 106,500 | 107,000 | 107,700 | 107,700 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,900 | 29,900 | 30,100 | 30,000 | 30,000 |
| services | 138,500 | 138,200 | 140,100 | 141,200 | 141,200 |
| government | 73,900 | 74,100 | 75,100 | 76,600 | 76,600 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted*

**GROWTH IN SERVICES JOBS ACCOUNTS FOR NEARLY HALF OF THE NONAG JOBS GROWTH OVER THE LAST YEAR**

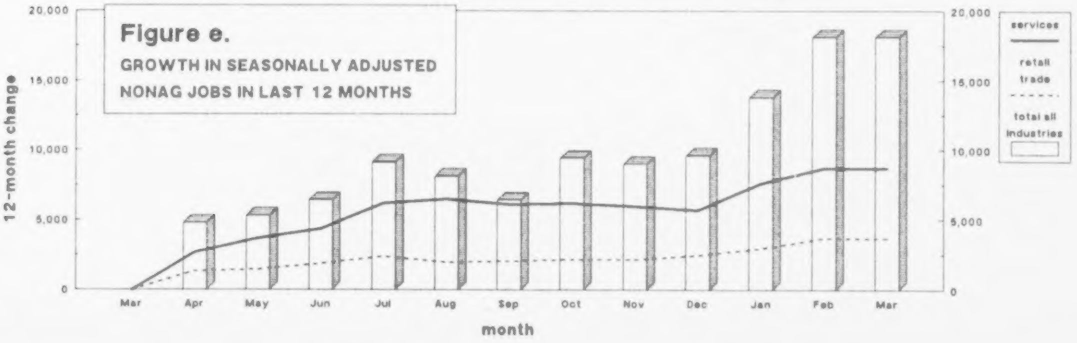


**Figure e.**

**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS IN LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change** From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | MARCH 1994 | FEBRUARY 1994 | MARCH 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 507,200 | 505,200 | 486,000 | 2,000 | 21,200 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** - | 427,600 | 426,400 | 409,100 | 1,200 | 18,500 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** - | 113,600 | 113,000 | 110,600 | 600 | 3,000 |
| MINING | 400 | 300 | 300 | 100 | 100 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 15,300 | 15,200 | 13,600 | 100 | 1,700 |
| MANUFACTURING | 97,900 | 97,500 | 96,700 | 400 | 1,200 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal*** - | 66,000 | 65,700 | 65,300 | 300 | 700 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,200 | 4,000 | 4,200 | 200 | 0 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,100 | 0 | 200 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,800 | 0 | 100 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,000 | 0 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,400 | 7,300 | 7,100 | 100 | 300 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,500 | 18,600 | 19,000 | -100 | -500 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 14,300 | 14,100 | 13,300 | 200 | 1,000 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 11,000 | 11,000 | 11,700 | 0 | -700 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal*** - | 31,900 | 31,800 | 31,400 | 100 | 500 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 0 | 0 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 100 | 200 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,400 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 100 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,400 | 4,500 | 4,800 | -100 | -400 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,400 | 0 | 400 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,800 | 1,800 | 2,000 | 0 | -200 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,500 | 8,500 | 7,900 | 0 | 600 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** - | 314,000 | 313,400 | 298,500 | 600 | 15,500 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 18,000 | 18,000 | 17,400 | 0 | 600 |
| **Trade Total** - | 126,600 | 126,500 | 121,400 | 100 | 5,200 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 22,500 | 22,400 | 22,500 | 100 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 104,100 | 104,100 | 98,900 | 0 | 5,200 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,700 | 29,800 | 29,300 | -100 | 400 |
| SERVICES | 139,700 | 139,100 | 130,400 | 600 | 9,300 |
| Health Services | 42,300 | 42,200 | 41,300 | 100 | 1,000 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total** - | 79,600 | 78,800 | 76,900 | 800 | 2,700 |
| Federal | 7,700 | 7,600 | 7,400 | 100 | 300 |
| State | 23,800 | 23,600 | 21,900 | 200 | 1,900 |
| Local | 48,100 | 47,600 | 47,600 | 500 | 500 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** - | 393,600 | 392,200 | 375,400 | 1,400 | 18,200 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics** (CES or BLS 790) program | **Manchester PMSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Employment by Industry** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **Number of Jobs** by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | MARCH 1994 | FEBRUARY 1994 | MARCH 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | MARCH 1994 | FEBRUARY 1994 | MARCH 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | MARCH 1994 | FEBRUARY 1994 | MARCH 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 85,000 | 85,300 | 82,300 | -300 | 2,700 | 79,900 | 79,800 | 77,700 | 100 | 2,200 | 103,800 | 102,600 | 99,000 | 1,200 | 4,800 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 74,800 | 75,000 | 72,300 | -200 | 2,500 | 72,700 | 72,700 | 70,400 | 0 | 2,300 | 79,200 | 78,200 | 74,400 | 1,000 | 4,800 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,300 | 14,400 | 14,000 | -100 | 300 | 28,700 | 28,600 | 28,800 | 100 | -100 | 19,300 | 19,200 | 19,400 | 100 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 2,900 | 3,000 | 2,600 | -100 | 300 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,100 | 100 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,400 | 0 | 0 | 26,700 | 26,600 | 26,800 | 100 | -100 | 17,300 | 17,300 | 17,300 | 0 | 0 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,900 | 7,000 | 7,100 | -100 | -200 | 20,900 | 21,000 | 20,900 | -100 | 0 | 9,900 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 0 | -100 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,000 | 0 | 300 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,700 | 0 | 100 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,400 | 4,300 | 100 | 200 | 5.800 | 5,600 | 5,900 | 200 | -100 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 0 | 100 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 60,500 | 60,600 | 58,300 | -100 | 2,200 | 44,000 | 44,100 | 41,600 | -100 | 2,400 | 59,900 | 59,000 | 55,000 | 900 | 4,900 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,600 | 5,500 | 5,100 | 100 | 500 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,100 | 100 | 500 |
| **Trade Total -** | 20,800 | 21,000 | 20,800 | -200 | 0 | 19,500 | 19,500 | 18,800 | 0 | 700 | 24,600 | 24,100 | 23,500 | 500 | 1,100 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,800 | 4,700 | 5,300 | 100 | -500 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 0 | 0 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 | -100 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,000 | 16,300 | 15,500 | -300 | 500 | 16,300 | 16,300 | 15,600 | 0 | 700 | 21,400 | 20,800 | 20,300 | 600 | 1,100 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,600 | -100 | -500 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 100 | 100 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,600 | -100 | 100 |
| SERVICES | 27,000 | 26,900 | 24,800 | 100 | 2,200 | 19,100 | 19,300 | 17,700 | -200 | 1,400 | 25,000 | 24,600 | 21,800 | 400 | 3,200 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 10,200 | 10,300 | 10,000 | -100 | 200 | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,300 | 100 | -100 | 24,600 | 24,400 | 24,600 | 200 | 0 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,400 | 6,400 | 7,700 | 0 | -1,300 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,400 | 0 | -100 | 600 | 500 | 500 | 100 | 100 | 8,000 | 8,000 | 7,100 | 0 | 900 |
| Local | 6,400 | 6,500 | 6,100 | -100 | 300 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 0 | -100 | 10,200 | 10,000 | 9,800 | 200 | 400 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 70,700 | 70,900 | 68,300 | -200 | 2,400 | 51,200 | 51,200 | 48,900 | 0 | 2,300 | 84,500 | 83,400 | 79,600 | 1,100 | 4,900 |

**Manchester PMSA --** includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

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**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA --** includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth, the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood,, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, and York.

N.A. - *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

# Hot off the press -

## Two new Occupational Employment Statistics Reports and the 1993 LAUS Benchmark.

***New Hampshire Occupational Statistics - Hospitals and Agricultural Services 1992***. 73 pages; March 1994. Statewide estimates of occupational employment in the Hospitals and Agricultural Services industries in New Hampshire in 1992 calculated from sample data obtained by the Occupational Employment Statistics survey.

***New Hampshire Occupational Statistics - Manufacturing Industries 1992***. 73 pages; March 1994. Statewide estimates of occupational employment in Manufacturing industries in New Hampshire in 1992 calculated from sample data obtained by the Occupational Employment Statistics survey.

***1993 Local Area Unemployment Statistics Report*** *(version April 1994)*: an 8 page photocopier-reproduced table. This is the latest benchmark of the civilian labor force estimates for 1993. They apply, for the first time to 1993 estimates, new population numbers based on 1990 U.S. Census data; and the newly defined labor market areas and primary metropolitan areas, based on the 1990 Census commuting patterns data. This benchmark was calculated using the new methodology which was first put into use for the January 1994 estimates. However, strictly speaking, they are not comparable to 1994 estimates because of changes, which went into effect in

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Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

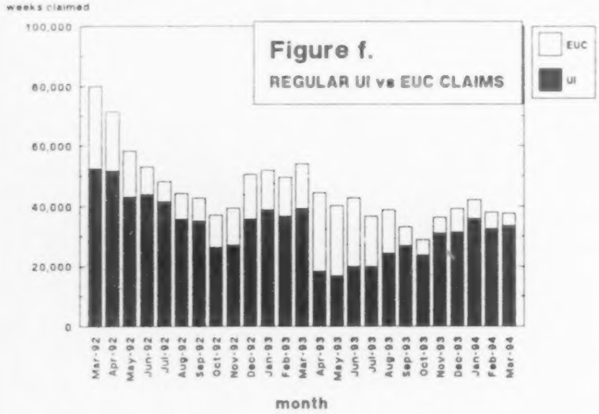
| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | MARCH 1994 | FEBRUARY 1994 | MARCH 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 4,610 | 3,757 | 5,025 | 853 | 22.7% | -415 | -8.3% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 33,628 | 32,490 | 39,217 | 1,138 | 3.5% | -5,589 | -14.3% |
| **FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 277 | 633 | 1,236 | -356 | -56.2% | -959 | -77.6% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 3,965 | 5,490 | 14,882 | -1,525 | -27.8% | -10,917 | -73.4% |

Continued weeks claimed for both regular unemployment compensation and EUC programs were down from a year ago - EUC quite substantially as the program winds down.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of January: $159,846,035.96
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $144.91
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $4,926,136.81
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $118,749.30
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

### REGULAR UI CLAIMS RISE AS EUC CLAIMS SLIP



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**REGULAR UI vs EUC CLAIMS**

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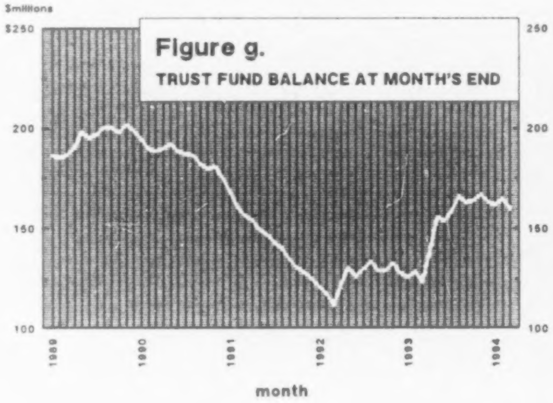

**Figure g.**

**TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END**

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January 1994, to the Current Population Survey, the source of the base data. They are in the same format as the monthly LAUS photocopied table and they include all of the same items found in that report: the estimates of the state's total civilian labor force, the number employed and unemployed, and the unemployment rates for - New Hampshire, its counties, primary metropolitan statistical areas and labor market areas, cities, and selected towns - for each month of 1993, the year end average, and the unemployment rates for the New England Region and the five other states in the region. This report is being sent to everyone on the mailing list for the monthly report. If you did not receive a copy and you have a need for this report do not hesitate to call or write.

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## County Unemployment Rates - Estimates for February/March 1994

| | February | March | | February | March |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 7.2% | 6.3% | Hillsborough | 6.0% | 5.4% |
| Carroll | 5.6% | 5.4% | Merrimack | 4.8% | 4.2% |
| Cheshire | 5.0% | 4.3% | Rockingham | 6.9% | 6.0% |
| Coos | 7.6% | 7.1% | Strafford | 5.4% | 4.4% |
| Grafton | 4.2% | 3.8% | Sullivan | 5.6% | 4.6% |

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| Lebanon | (603) 448-6340 |
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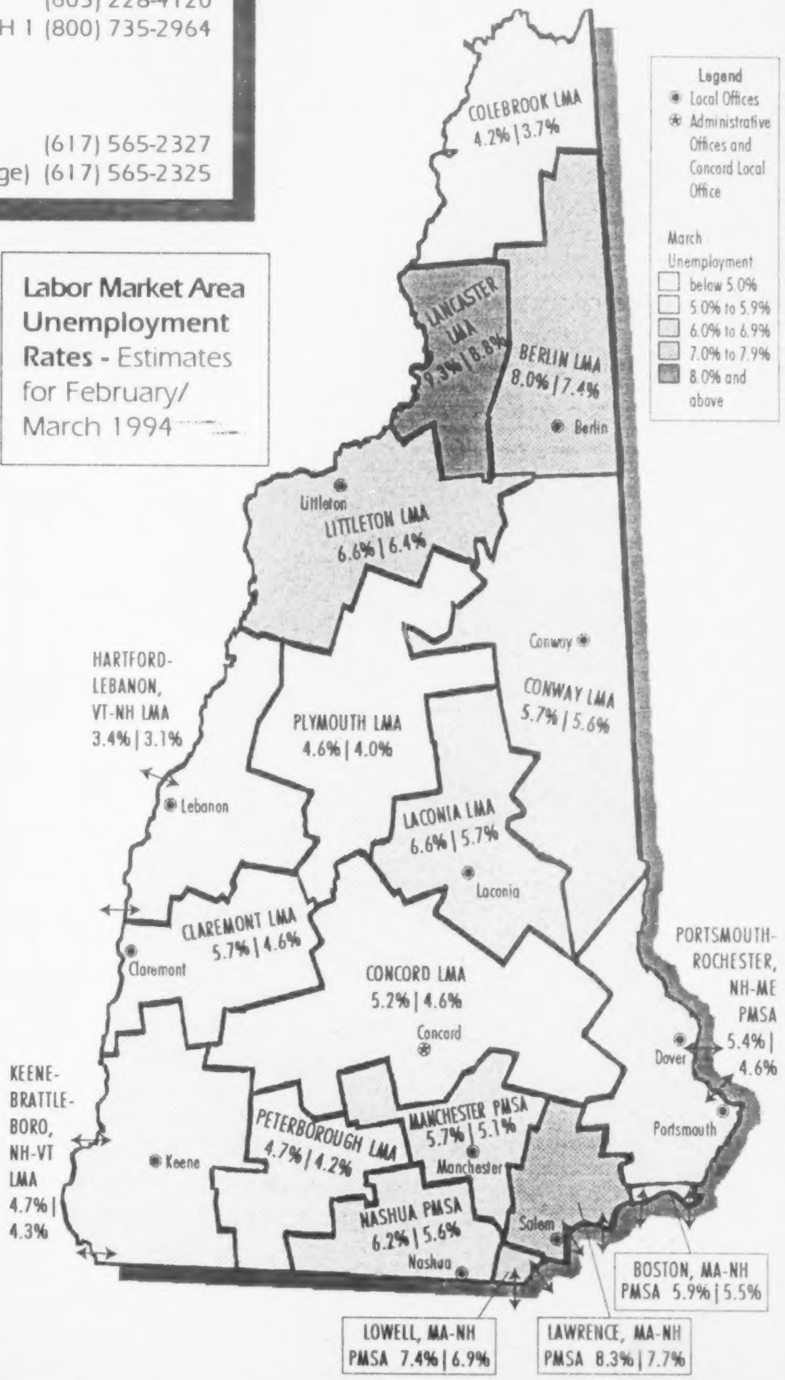
## Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates - Estimates for February/March 1994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BERLIN LMA 8.0% | 7.4%
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Littleton
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Conway
CONWAY LMA 5.7% | 5.6%
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PLYMOUTH LMA 4.6% | 4.0%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 6.6% | 5.7%
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CLAREMONT LMA 5.7% | 4.6%
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Keene
PETERBOROUGH LMA 4.7% | 4.2%
MANCHESTER PMSA 5.7% | 5.1%
Manchester
NASHUA PMSA 6.2% | 5.6%
Nashua
Salem
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 5.9% | 5.5%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 7.4% | 6.9%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 8.3% | 7.7%
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☐ 5.0% to 5.9%
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☐ 7.0% to 7.9%
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# Did you know?

## During the recent recession, NH showed the fourth largest peak-to-trough employment decrease in the country.

The ten states with the largest peak to trough employment decreases, during the recession were: Massachusetts (12.4%), Connecticut (12.2%), Rhode Island (11.3%), New Hampshire (10.8%), New Jersey (8.6%), New York (7.2%), Maine (7.0%), Vermont (6.4%), Maryland (5.7%), and California (5.1%).

It is no coincidence that seven of these states with downward trends enacted significant tax increases in the early 1990's. A weak economy depresses state revenue and increases the demand for welfare and higher education. Massachusetts and New Jersey raised taxes substantially in 1990; California, Connecticut, New York, and Rhode Island did so in 1991; and Maryland followed suit in 1992.

The following table shows the anatomy of the recession in New England by when the recession began in each state, the duration of the employment decreases, the extent of the employment decreases from peak to trough, employment increases after the trough, and the employment change throughout the entire period from January 1989 to October 1993.

*Cleaven Ferguson*

| | | | Employment Changes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| State | Onset (peak month) | Duration (months) | Decrease from peak to trough | Recovery after trough | Entire period |
| Connecticut | February 1989 | 55 | -12.2% | 0.3% | 11.7% |
| Maine | June 1989 | 50 | -7.0 | 2.3 | -4.0 |
| Massachusetts | January 1989 | 55 | -12.4 | 0.7 | 11.8 |
| New Hampshire | January 1989 | 30 | -10.8 | 3.8 | -7.4 |
| Rhode Island | June 1989 | 30 | -11.3 | 1.1 | -9.9 |
| Vermont | June 1989 | 31 | -6.4 | 1.5 | -4.1 |

Source: *State Fiscal Brief,*" Recession Spared Some States While Devastating Others", Steven D. Gold and Sarah Ritchie, Center for the Study of the States, Rockefeller Institute of Government, January 1994.

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**In this issue...**

The latest estimates of New Hampshire per capita personal income by county from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis - see "Verry Interresting!" - page 6.

New Hampshire's preliminary, not seasonally adjusted, unemployment rate for April fell to 4.9 percent, decreasing 0.3 percentage points from the unchanged estimate of 5.2 percent for March. Although not strictly comparable to this year's estimates, April's rate in 1993 was 6.9 percent.

○ The U.S. not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined, in April, to 6.2 percent, 0.6 percentage points lower than March. In April 1993, the unadjusted U.S. rate was 6.8 percent.

○ The state's labor force lowered to 618,390. April employment also decreased 2,800 to 587,970, while unemployment declined by 1,930 to 30,420.

○ New Hampshire nonfarm jobs estimates increased to 507,600 up only 600 jobs from March's revised total of 507,000.

○ April construction employment increased by 1,400 jobs from a March total of 15,400. April 1993 construction employment was 15,100.

○ New Hampshire's April-to-April nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 14,700 jobs. Over the year, services grew by 7,900 and retail trade by 3,600.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

**THE U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FELL BELOW N.H. RATE JUST ONCE IN THE LAST YEAR**

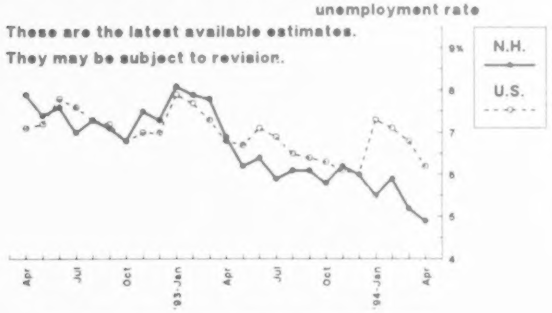

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

**NH NONFARM JOBS INCREASES SLOWED IN APRIL**

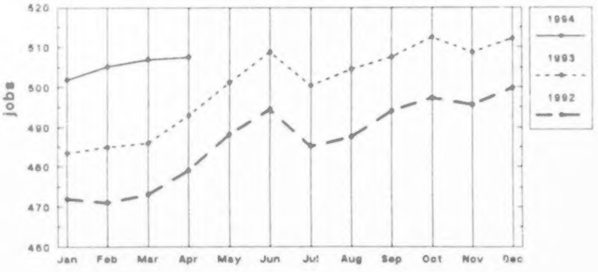

**Figure b.**
TOTAL JOBS IN NH NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT 1992-1994

### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates *(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers April 1994 | March 1994 | April 1993 | Net Change From Previous: Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 618,390 | 623,120 | 612,130 | -4,730 | 6,260 |
| Employed | 587,970 | 590,770 | 570,040 | -2,800 | 17,930 |
| Unemployed | 30,420 | 32,350 | 42,090 | -1,930 | -11,670 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 4.9% | 5.2% | 6.9% | — | — |

### APRIL'S PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER PMSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS LOWEST AMONG ALL PMSAs CONTAINING NH CITIES AND TOWNS

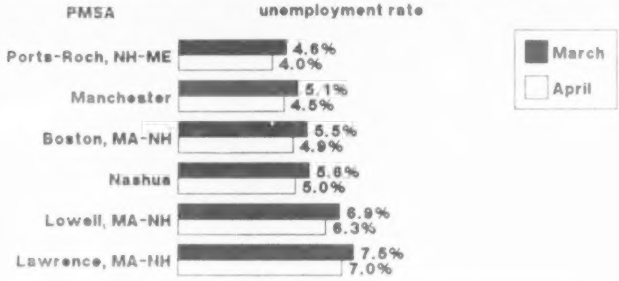

**Figure c.**

NH/NH-MA/NH-ME PMSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates *(by place of residence)* | April 1994 | March 1994 | April 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.2% | 6.8% | 6.8% |
| **New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas** | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 4.5% | 5.1% | 6.3% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.0% | 5.6% | 6.6% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 4.0% | 4.6% | 5.7% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 4.9% | 5.5% | 5.7% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 7.0% | 7.5% | 8.0% |
| Lowell, MA-Nh PMSA | 6.3% | 6.9% | 7.5% |
| **In the Region** | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 5.7% | 6.4% | 7.1% |
| Connecticut | 4.8% | 5.2% | 6.4% |
| Maine | 7.3% | 8.6% | 8.7% |
| Massachusetts | 5.8% | 6.7% | 6.6% |
| New Hampshire | 4.9% | 5.9% | 6.9% |
| Rhode Island | 6.3% | 8.1% | 8.1% |
| Vermont | 4.6% | 5.5% | 6.2% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 7.0% | 8.4% | 8.7% |
| New York | 7.6% | 8.1% | 7.0% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.7% | 6.9% | 6.9% |

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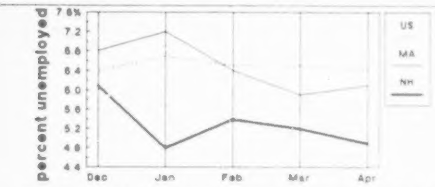
# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April was 4.6 percent; the U.S. rate was 6.4 percent.

**Figure d.**
**NH/MASSACHUSETTS/US SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**1994 NH ADJUSTED RATES STAY WELL BELOW MASS AND US RATES**

Table 3 **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.1% | 4.8% | 5.4% | 5.2% | 4.9% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 621,500 | 626,970 | 618,210 | 623,120 | 618,390 |
| Number Employed | 583,760 | 596,750 | 585,000 | 590,770 | 587,970 |
| Number Unemployed | 37,740 | 30,220 | 33,210 | 32,350 | 30,420 |
| UNITED STATES | (United States labor force numbers in thousands) | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.4% | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.4% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 128,898 | 130,667 | 130,776 | 130,580 | 130,747 |
| Number Employed | 120,661 | 121,971 | 122,258 | 122,037 | [illegible] |
| Number Unemployed | 8,237 | 8,696 | 8,518 | 8,543 | 8,408 |

*Note Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates*

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment lost 200 jobs. April gains in services and retail trade could not make up for losses in government.

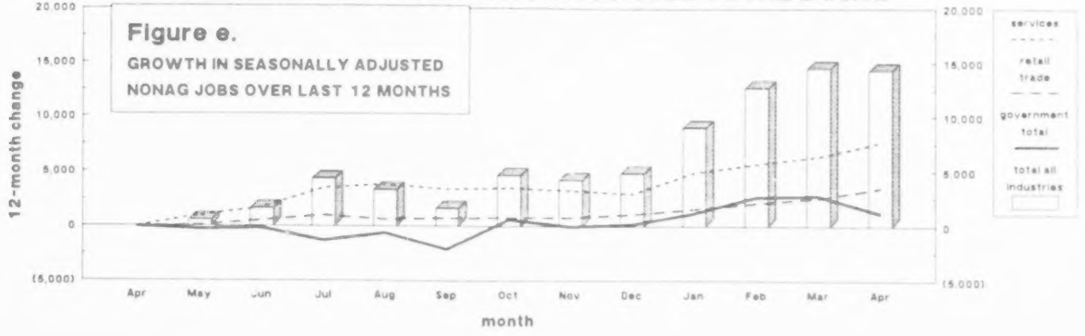
Table 4 **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Dec-93 | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 504,600 | 508,800 | 512,500 | 514,300 | 514,100 |
| mining* | 400 | 300 | 300 | 400 | 400 |
| construction | 17,000 | 18,100 | 18,300 | 18,300 | 18,100 |
| manufacturing | 97,100 | 97,100 | 97,900 | 98,100 | 98,100 |
| durable goods | 65,300 | 65,300 | 66,000 | 66,100 | 66,100 |
| nondurable goods | 31,800 | 31,800 | 31,900 | 32,000 | 32,000 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 18,000 | 18,100 | 18,200 | 18,200 | 17,900 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 129,300 | 129,900 | 130,200 | 130,900 | 131,800 |
| wholesale trade | 22,800 | 22,900 | 22,700 | 22,900 | 22,900 |
| retail trade | 106,500 | 107,000 | 107,500 | 108,000 | 108,900 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,900 | 30,100 | 30,100 | 30,100 | 29,800 |
| services | 138,200 | 140,100 | 140,900 | 141,600 | 142,900 |
| government | 74,100 | 75,100 | 76,600 | 76,700 | 75,100 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted*

**ONLY SERVICE & RETAIL TRADE JOBS GROW IN APRIL. GOVERNMENT LOSSES COMBINED WITH OTHER SMALLER LOSSES PUSH SEASONALLY ADJUSTED JOBS TOTAL DOWN.**

**Figure e.**
**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS**



## Table 5. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on April 1993 data | **Number of Jobs**<br>APRIL 1994 | MARCH 1994 | APRIL 1993 | **Net Change**<br>From Previous<br>**Month** | **Year** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 507,600 | 507,000 | 492,900 | 600 | 14,700 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** - | 430,200 | 427,300 | 416,200 | 2,900 | 14,000 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** - | 115,200 | 113,600 | 112,400 | 1,600 | 2,800 |
| MINING | 400 | 400 | 400 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 16,800 | 15,400 | 15,100 | 1,400 | 1,700 |
| MANUFACTURING | 98,000 | 97,800 | 96,900 | 200 | 1,100 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal*** - | 66,000 | 65,900 | 65,200 | 100 | 800 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,100 | 0 | 100 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,700 | 4,600 | 4,100 | 100 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,100 | 0 | 300 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,300 | 18,500 | 18,800 | -200 | -500 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 14,500 | 14,300 | 13,400 | 200 | 1,100 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 10,800 | 11,000 | 11,700 | -200 | -900 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal*** - | 32,000 | 31,900 | 31,700 | 100 | 300 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,500 | 0 | 200 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,500 | 2,400 | 2,200 | 100 | 300 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,500 | 4,400 | 5,200 | 100 | -700 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,400 | 0 | 400 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,800 | 1,800 | 2,000 | 0 | -200 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,500 | 8,500 | 7,900 | 0 | 600 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** - | 315,000 | 313,700 | 303,800 | 1,300 | 11,200 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 17,700 | 18,000 | 17,800 | -300 | -100 |
| **Trade Total** - | 127,900 | 126,300 | 124,700 | 1,600 | 3,200 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 22,600 | 22,500 | 23,000 | 100 | -400 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 105,300 | 103,800 | 101,700 | 1,500 | 3,600 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,500 | 29,700 | 29,300 | -200 | 200 |
| SERVICES | 139,900 | 139,700 | 132,000 | 200 | 7,900 |
| Health Services | 42,400 | 42,300 | 41,700 | 100 | 700 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total** - | 77,400 | 79,700 | 76,700 | -2,300 | 700 |
| Federal | 7,600 | 7,700 | 7,600 | -100 | 0 |
| State | 21,600 | 23,800 | 21,500 | -2,200 | 100 |
| Local | 48,200 | 48,200 | 47,600 | 0 | 600 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** - | 392,400 | 393,400 | 380,500 | -1,000 | 11,900 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics** (CES or BLS 790) program | **Manchester PMSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Employment by Industry** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **Number of Jobs** by place of establishment, benchmarked on April 1993 data | APRIL 1994 | MARCH 1994 | APRIL 1993 | From Previous Month | Year | APRIL 1994 | MARCH 1994 | APRIL 1993 | From Previous Month | Year | APRIL 1994 | MARCH 1994 | APRIL 1993 | From Previous Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 85,000 | 85,300 | 82,300 | -300 | 2,700 | 79,900 | 79,800 | 77,700 | 100 | 2,200 | 103,800 | 102,600 | 99,000 | 1,200 | 4,800 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 74,800 | 75,000 | 72,300 | -200 | 2,500 | 72,700 | 72,700 | 70,400 | 0 | 2,300 | 79,200 | 78,200 | 74,400 | 1,000 | 4,800 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,300 | 14,400 | 14,000 | -100 | 300 | 28,700 | 28,600 | 28,800 | 100 | -100 | 19,300 | 19,200 | 19,400 | 100 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 2,900 | 3,000 | 2,600 | -100 | 300 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,100 | 100 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,400 | 0 | 0 | 26,700 | 26,600 | 26,800 | 100 | -100 | 17,300 | 17,300 | 17,300 | 0 | 0 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,900 | 7,000 | 7,100 | -100 | -200 | 20,900 | 21,000 | 20,900 | -100 | 0 | 9,900 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 0 | -100 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,000 | 0 | 300 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,700 | 0 | 100 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,400 | 4,300 | 100 | 200 | 5,800 | 5,600 | 5,900 | 200 | -100 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 0 | 100 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 60,500 | 60,600 | 58,300 | -100 | 2,200 | 44,000 | 44,100 | 41,600 | -100 | 2,400 | 59,900 | 59,000 | 55,000 | 900 | 4,900 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,600 | 5,500 | 5,100 | 100 | 500 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,000 | 0 | 200 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,100 | 100 | 500 |
| **Trade Total -** | 20,800 | 21,000 | 20,800 | -200 | 0 | 19,500 | 19,500 | 18,800 | 0 | 700 | 24,600 | 24,100 | 23,500 | 500 | 1,100 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,800 | 4,700 | 5,300 | 100 | -500 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 0 | 0 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 | -100 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,000 | 16,300 | 15,500 | -300 | 500 | 16,300 | 16,300 | 15,600 | 0 | 700 | 21,400 | 20,800 | 20,300 | 600 | 1,100 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,600 | -100 | -500 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 100 | 100 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 6,600 | -100 | 100 |
| SERVICES | 27,000 | 26,900 | 24,800 | 100 | 2,200 | 19,100 | 19,300 | 17,700 | -200 | 1,400 | 25,000 | 24,600 | 21,800 | 400 | 3,200 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 10,200 | 10,300 | 10,000 | -100 | 200 | 7,200 | 7,100 | 7,300 | 100 | -100 | 24,600 | 24,400 | 24,600 | 200 | 0 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,400 | 6,400 | 7,700 | 0 | -1,300 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,400 | 0 | -100 | 600 | 500 | 500 | 100 | 100 | 8,000 | 8,000 | 7,100 | 0 | 900 |
| Local | 6,400 | 6,500 | 6,100 | -100 | 300 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 0 | -100 | 10,200 | 10,000 | 9,800 | 200 | 400 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 70,700 | 70,900 | 68,300 | -200 | 2,400 | 51,200 | 51,200 | 48,900 | 0 | 2,300 | 84,500 | 83,400 | 79,600 | 1,100 | 4,900 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

**Nashua PMSA** -- includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, and Wilton.

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N.A. - *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

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### Employment by Size of Firm for the third quarter of 1993.

"New Hampshire Employment and Wages by Size of Firm, Third Quarter 1993", 30 pages, photocopied, June 1994.

This report compiles third quarter covered employment and wages data from New Hampshire employers by size of firm and presents the total of all industries, statewide; individual industries, statewide; and all industries totalled by county.

Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | APRIL 1994 | MARCH 1994 | APRIL 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 4,688 | 4,610 | 5,009 | 78 | 1.7% | -321 | -6.4% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 26,960 | 33,628 | 18,334 | -6,668 | -19.8% | 8,626 | 47.0% |
| **FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 112 | 277 | 5,977 | -165 | -59.6% | -5,865 | -98.1% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 1,076 | 3,965 | 26,106 | -2,889 | -72.9% | -25,030 | -95.9% |

Continued weeks claimed for regular unemployment compensation up substantially from a year ago - but total with EUC is lower as the program continues to wind down.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of April: $172,810,611.07
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $138.37
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $3,265,747.72
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $16,230,322.83
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

### TOTAL WEEKS CLAIMED FALL SEASONALLY, EUC IS NEARLY DONE

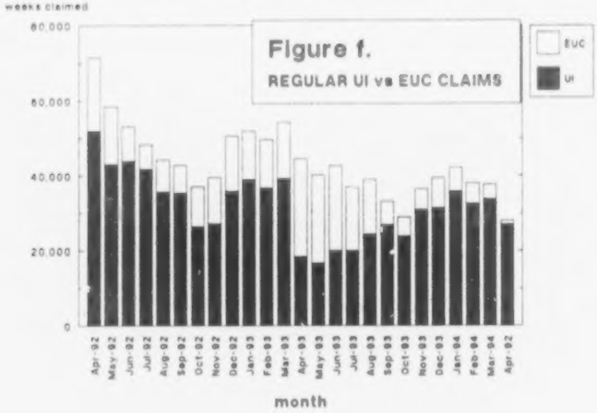

**Figure f.**
REGULAR UI vs EUC CLAIMS

### TRUST FUND TURNS UPWARD IN APRIL

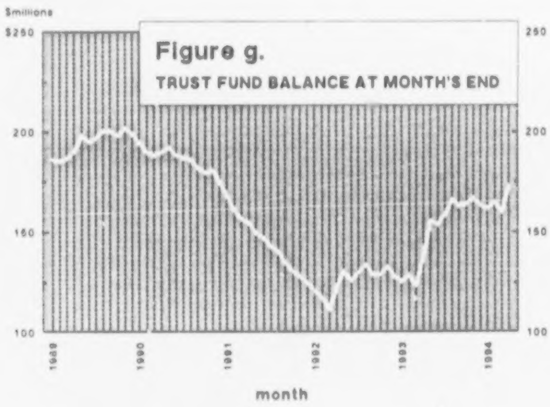

**Figure g.**
TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

## Ve*rr*y Inte*rr*esting...!

The April issue of the *Survey of Current Business* published the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis' estimates of per capita personal income for all U.S. counties for 1990 through 1992. Among New Hampshire's ten counties, the adjacent counties of Rockingham and Strafford ranked first and last, respectively, in 1992. This is in spite of the fact that Rockingham County's annual average unemployment rate was second highest in the state, 1.1 percentage points higher than Strafford's. It should be noted that "personal income" includes an imputed rental value of real estate. This adds more to the estimates for counties such as Rockingham and Belknap which have a lot of high value shorefront property.

**New Hampshire per capita personal income estimates for 1990 through 1992.**

Per Capita Personal Income

| county | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1992 rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | $19,474 | $19,956 | $20,481 | 6 |
| Carroll | $21,279 | $21,921 | $22,700 | 3 |
| Cheshire | $18,328 | $18,994 | $20,013 | 7 |
| Coos | $16,674 | $17,819 | $18,684 | 9 |
| Grafton | $19,856 | $21,023 | $21,969 | 5 |
| Hillsborough | $21,420 | $22,052 | $22,963 | 2 |
| Merrimack | $20,521 | $21,366 | $22,619 | 4 |
| Rockingham | $21,379 | $22,210 | $23,181 | 1 |
| Strafford | $17,049 | $17,707 | $18,623 | 10 |
| Sullivan | $17,616 | $18,088 | $19,190 | 8 |
| state total | $20,231 | $20,973 | $21,933 | |
| metropolitan | $20,742 | $21,448 | $22,383 | |
| nonmetropolitan | $19,401 | $20,206 | $21,200 | |

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## County Unemployment Rates - Estimates for March/April 1994

| | March | April | | March | April |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 6.3% | 5.2% | Hillsborough | 5.4% | 4.7% |
| Carroll | 5.5% | 6.0% | Merrimack | 4.3% | 3.8% |
| Cheshire | 4.3% | 4.6% | Rockingham | 6.0% | 5.5% |
| Coos | 7.0% | 10.2% | Strafford | 4.5% | 4.0% |
| Grafton | 3.8% | 4.5% | Sullivan | 4.5% | 4.6% |

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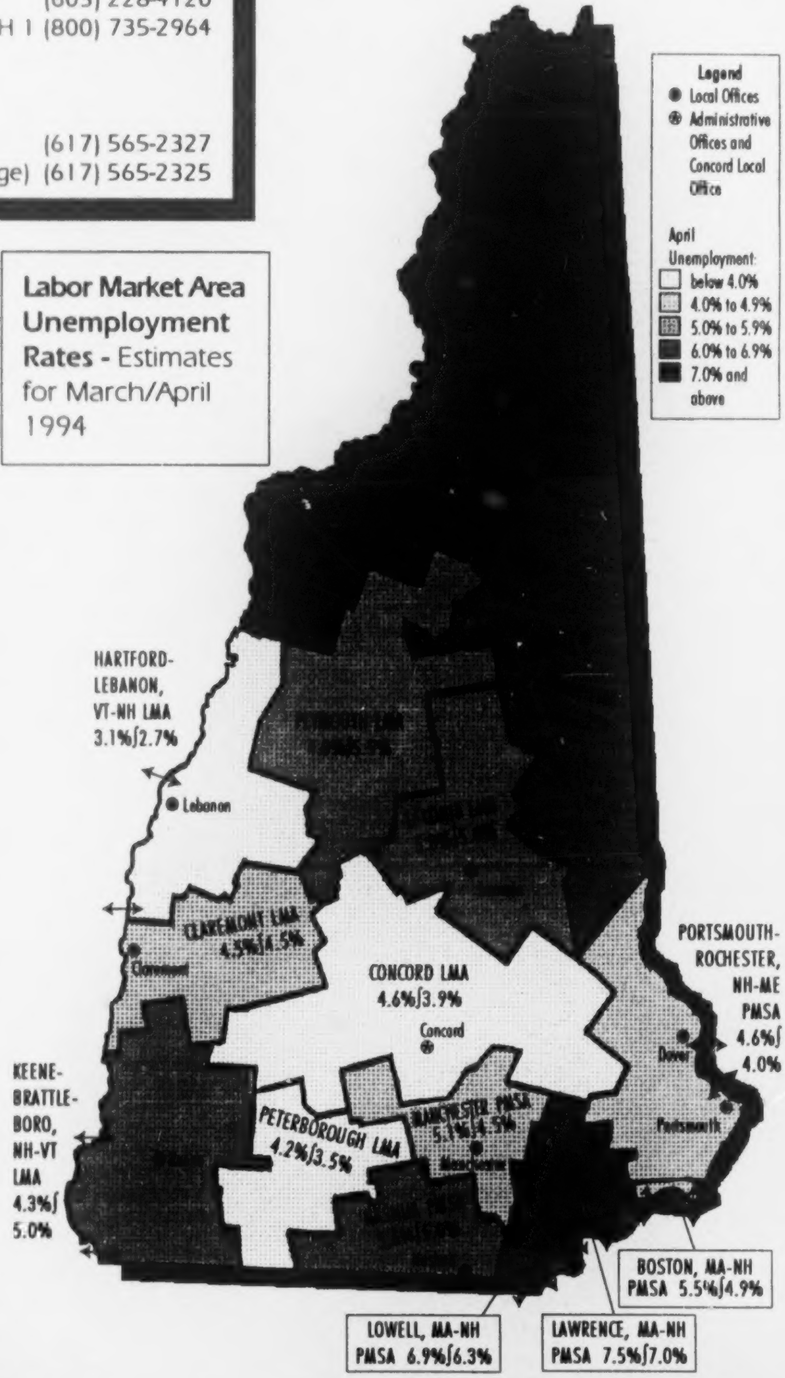
## Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates - Estimates for March/April 1994



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▨ 5.0% to 5.9%
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HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 3.1%/2.7%
Lebanon
CLAREMONT LMA 4.5%/4.5%
Claremont
CONCORD LMA 4.6%/3.9%
Concord
PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA 4.6%/4.0%
Dover
Portsmouth
KEENE-BRATTLEBORO, NH-VT LMA 4.3%/5.0%
PETERBOROUGH LMA 4.2%/3.5%
MANCHESTER PMSA 5.1%/4.5%
Manchester
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 5.5%/4.9%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 6.9%/6.3%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 7.5%/7.0%

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# Did you know?

## The State Legislature enacted Labor, Workers' Compensation, and Unemployment Insurance law changes in 1993.

An article in the January 1994 issue of the *Monthly Labor Review*, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, noted some of the changes enacted by state legislatures in 1993 concerning labor, workers' compensation, and unemployment insurance laws. It cited a number changes enacted by the New Hampshire legislature. Among them were:

***Child labor*** - The law regulating the hiring of minors to bus tables in dining rooms where alcoholic beverages are served was amended to lower the permissible age for such employment from 16 to 15 years old. Effective April 29, 1993.

***Workers' Compensation*** - The exclusive remedy provision for workers' compensation was amended to mandate that benefits collected under the State's law are the exclusive remedy for a person injured in New Hampshire, thus waiving all rights of action in any other State. Effective January 1, 1994.

A law that became effective July 1, 1993 (but was subsequently repealed February 8, 1994) required an insurer to conduct a safety inspection of the site within 60 days, and submit a report within the next 30 days, after payment of a second claim for benefits from injuries incurred at any single work site during a policy year. It established a safety enhancement surcharge of up to 10 percent of the employer's annual workers' compensation premium to be imposed if the employer failed to follow the report's recommendations within an additional 30-day period, .

***Unemployment Insurance*** - *Coverage*. Services performed by domestics in a private home, local college club, or local chapter of a college fraternity or sorority will be covered employment in New Hampshire, subject to Federal quarterly wage requirements ($1,000 in wages paid by the employer in any quarter during the current or preceding calendar year). Effective July 1, 1993.

*Benefits*. The maximum weekly benefit amount increased from $188 to $196 and on March 27, 1994 was increased again to $204. The active search for work and eligibility requirement for receipt of Federal-State Extended Benefits were suspended for the period March 6, 1993 through December 31,1994.

*Disqualification*. An individual who terminates employment in good faith to accept better full-time employment, and who subsequently becomes unemployed due to unavailability of work before earning the requalifying wages, will not be disqualified from receiving benefits. Effective January 1, 1994.

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

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### United States CONSUMER PRICE INDEX for All Urban Areas (CPI-U)

| Index<br>April 1994 | March 1994 | April 1993 | Change from Previous<br>Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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**In this issue...**

New Hampshire's average annual unemployment rate for 1993 ranked thirtieth from the lowest in the United States - see "Verry Interresting!" - pages 5 and 6.

- The New Hampshire not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May declined to 4.6 percent, dropping 0.3 percentage points from April's unchanged estimate of 4.9 percent. The May 1993 rate for the state was revised to 6.2 percent.
- The national not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May decreased to 5.9 percent, 0.3 percentage points lower than April. One year ago the national rate was 6.7 percent.
- New Hampshire's labor force decreased to an estimated 614,900 in May. Employment levels also declined to 586,910, while unemployment levels dropped 2,470 to 27,990.
- Nonfarm wage and salary employment in New Hampshire increased to an estimated 511,000, up 3,600 jobs from April's revised total of 507,400.
- May's construction employment gained 1,000 jobs over the month. Employment for trade, wholesale and retail, increased 1,500 jobs.
- New Hampshire's May-to-May nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased 9,800 jobs. Over the year, manufacturing employment increased 1.3 percent.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

**N.H. & MASSACHUSETTS UNEMPLOYMENT RATES HAVE BEEN FALLING TOGETHER**

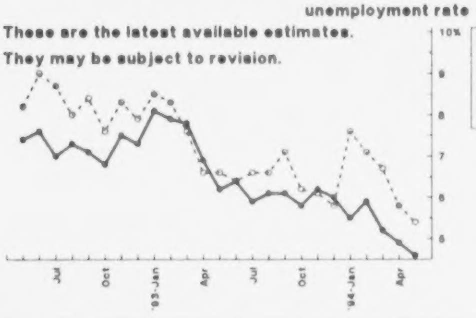

**Figure a.**
N.H. AND MASSACHUSETTS UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

**AFTER A SLOW START, MASS HAS OVERTAKEN NH IN NONAG JOBS GAINS**

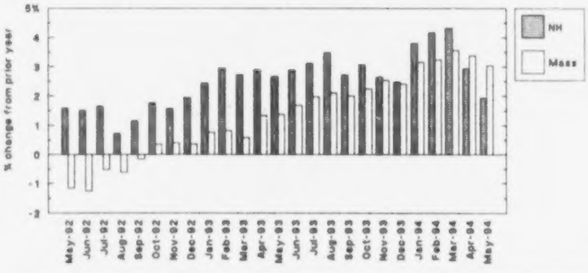

**Figure b.**
GROWTH OF JOBS IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT FROM SAME MONTH, PRIOR YEAR, NH/MASS

### Table 1. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** **Labor Force Estimates** *(by place of residence)* | **Number of Workers** May 1994 | April 1994 | May 1993 | **Net Change From Previous:** Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 614,900 | 618,440 | 615,520 | -3,540 | -620 |
| Employed | 586,910 | 587,980 | 577,320 | -1,070 | 9,590 |
| Unemployed | 27,990 | 30,460 | 38,200 | -2,470 | -10,210 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 4.6% | 4.9% | 6.2% | — | — |

### THE 'TWIN STATES', VT & NH, LED NEW ENGLAND WITH LOWEST MAY UNEMPLOYMENT, ONLY CT RATE ROSE

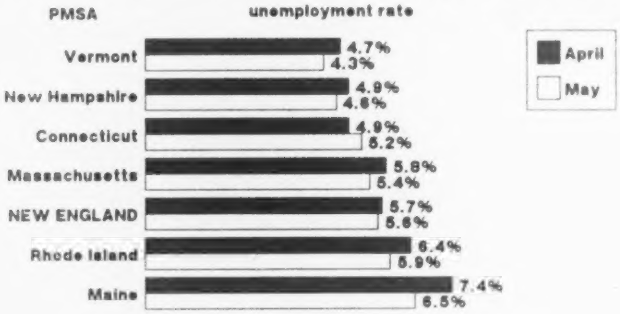

**Figure c.**
NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES

### Table 2. **NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** **Labor Force Estimates** *(by place of residence)* | May 1994 | April 1994 | May 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 5.9% | 6.2% | 6.7% |
| **New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas** | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 4.4% | 4.5% | 5.8% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.0% | 5.1% | 6.3% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 3.7% | 4.0% | 5.2% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 4.7% | 4.9% | 5.7% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 6.8% | 7.0% | 8.0% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.0% | 6.3% | 7.5% |
| **In the Region** | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 5.6% | 5.7% | 6.5% |
| Connecticut | 5.2% | 4.9% | 6.4% |
| Maine | 6.5% | 7.4% | 8.0% |
| Massachusetts | 5.4% | 5.8% | 6.6% |
| New Hampshire | 4.6% | 4.9% | 6.2% |
| Rhode Island | 5.9% | 6.4% | 7.6% |
| Vermont | 4.3% | 4.7% | 5.2% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 7.1% | 7.0% | 7.6% |
| New York | 6.4% | 7.6% | 7.6% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.4% | 6.7% | 7.3% |

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# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 4.8 percent; the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May was 6.0 percent, down from April's 6.4 percent.

Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

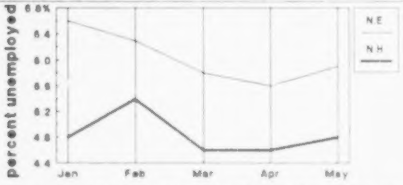
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 4.8% | 5.4% | 4.6% | 4.6% | 4.8% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 626,970 | 618,210 | 625,660 | 623,520 | 616,850 |
| Number Employed | 596,750 | 585,000 | 596,890 | 594,600 | 587,380 |
| Number Unemployed | 30,220 | 33,210 | 28,770 | 28,920 | 29,470 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.0% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 130,667 | 130,776 | 130,580 | 130,747 | 130,774 |
| Number Employed | 121,971 | 122,258 | 122,037 | 122,338 | 122,872 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,696 | 8,518 | 8,543 | 8,408 | 7,902 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

**Figure d.**

**N.H. AND N.E. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**N.H. & N.E. RATES RAN NEARLY PARALLEL FOR LAST 3 MONTHS**

Adjusted total nonfarm employment for May lost 2,100 jobs, to an estimated total of 511,900 jobs.

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Jan-94 | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 508,800 | 512,500 | 514,300 | 514,000 | 511,900 |
| mining* | 400 | 300 | 300 | 400 | 500 |
| construction | 18,100 | 18,300 | 18,300 | 18,000 | 17,700 |
| manufacturing | 97,100 | 97,900 | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,200 |
| durable goods | 65,300 | 66,000 | 66,100 | 66,000 | 66,400 |
| nondurable goods | 31,800 | 31,900 | 32,000 | 32,100 | 31,800 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 18,100 | 18,200 | 18,200 | 17,900 | 18,200 |
| **wholesale and retail trade, combined** | 129,900 | 130,200 | 130,900 | 131,900 | 130,900 |
| **wholesale trade** | 22,900 | 22,700 | 22,900 | 22,900 | 22,800 |
| retail trade | 107,000 | 107,500 | 108,000 | 109,000 | 108,100 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 30,100 | 30,100 | 30,100 | 29,800 | 29,800 |
| services | 140,100 | 140,900 | 141,600 | 142,900 | 142,600 |
| government | 75,100 | 76,600 | 76,700 | 75,000 | 74,000 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED JOBS GROWTH SLOWS AS GAINS IN SERVICES, RETAIL TRADE, AND GOVERNMENT SLOW**

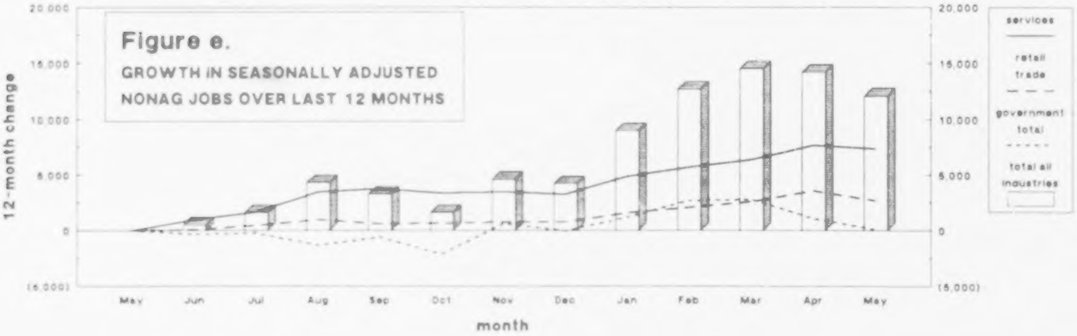


**Figure e.**

**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on May 1993 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change** From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | MAY 1994 | APRIL 1994 | MAY 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 511,000 | 507,400 | 501,200 | 3,600 | 9,800 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 435,200 | 430,200 | 424,900 | 5,000 | 10,300 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 116,400 | 115,100 | 114,400 | 1,300 | 2,000 |
| MINING | 500 | 400 | 500 | 100 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 17,700 | 16,700 | 17,000 | 1,000 | 700 |
| MANUFACTURING | 98,200 | 98,000 | 96,900 | 200 | 1,300 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal* -** | 66,300 | 65,900 | 65,500 | 400 | 800 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 0 | 0 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 1,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,100 | 0 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,100 | 0 | 300 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,400 | 18,300 | 18,900 | 100 | -500 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 14,600 | 14,400 | 13,500 | 200 | 1,100 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 100 | 200 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 10,800 | 10,800 | 11,600 | 0 | -800 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal* -** | 31,900 | 32,100 | 31,400 | -200 | 500 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,600 | 0 | 100 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,200 | 0 | 300 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,400 | 4,600 | 4,500 | -200 | -100 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,500 | 0 | 300 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,900 | 1,800 | 2,100 | 100 | -200 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,400 | 8,500 | 8,000 | -100 | 400 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 318,800 | 315,100 | 310,500 | 3,700 | 8,300 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 18,200 | 17,700 | 18,000 | 500 | 200 |
| **Trade Total -** | 129,500 | 128,000 | 127,700 | 1,500 | 1,800 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 22,800 | 22,600 | 23,300 | 200 | -500 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 106,700 | 105,400 | 104,400 | 1,300 | 2,300 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,700 | 29,500 | 29,600 | 200 | 100 |
| SERVICES | 141,400 | 139,900 | 135,200 | 1,500 | 6,200 |
| Health Services | 42,600 | 42,400 | 41,900 | 200 | 700 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 75,800 | 77,200 | 76,300 | -1,400 | -500 |
| Federal | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,600 | 0 | 0 |
| State | 20,200 | 21,600 | 21,000 | -1,400 | -800 |
| Local | 48,000 | 48,000 | 47,700 | 0 | 300 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 394,600 | 392,300 | 386,800 | 2,300 | 7,800 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics.*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics** (CES or BLS 790) program | **Manchester PMSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Employment by Industry** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** | |
| **Number of Jobs** by place of establishment, benchmarked on May 1993 data | MAY 1994 | APRIL 1994 | MAY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | MAY 1994 | APRIL 1994 | MAY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year | MAY 1994 | APRIL 1994 | MAY 1993 | From Previous Month | From Previous Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 86,800 | 86,300 | 84,300 | 500 | 2,500 | 80,200 | 79,600 | 80,000 | 600 | 200 | 104,800 | 103,900 | 103,100 | 900 | 1,700 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 76,500 | 76,000 | 74,300 | 500 | 2,200 | 73,100 | 72,400 | 72,600 | 700 | 500 | 82,300 | 80,800 | 79,100 | 1,500 | 3,200 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,500 | 14,500 | 14,300 | 0 | 200 | 28,600 | 28,500 | 28,900 | 100 | -300 | 20,000 | 19,800 | 20,100 | 200 | -100 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 0 | 100 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,200 | 100 | -100 | 2,500 | 2,300 | 2,600 | 200 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 0 | 100 | 26,500 | 26,500 | 26,700 | 0 | -200 | 17,500 | 17,500 | 17,500 | 0 | 0 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,900 | 6,900 | 7,000 | 0 | -100 | 20,800 | 20,800 | 21,100 | 0 | -300 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 0 | 0 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,100 | 0 | 200 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,600 | 0 | 200 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,300 | 0 | 200 | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,600 | 0 | 100 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 0 | 0 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 62,000 | 61,500 | 60,000 | 500 | 2,000 | 44,500 | 43,900 | 43,700 | 600 | 800 | 62,300 | 61,000 | 59,000 | 1,300 | 3,300 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,900 | 5,700 | 5,300 | 200 | 600 | 2,000 | 1,800 | 2,100 | 200 | -100 | 3,700 | 3,600 | 3,200 | 100 | 500 |
| **Trade Total -** | 21,400 | 21,400 | 21,100 | 0 | 300 | 19,500 | 19,500 | 19,800 | 0 | -300 | 26,200 | 25,300 | 25,600 | 900 | 600 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,800 | 4,800 | 5,200 | 0 | -400 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,600 | 0 | -400 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 100 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,600 | 16,600 | 15,900 | 0 | 700 | 16,300 | 16,300 | 16,200 | 0 | 100 | 22,900 | 22,100 | 22,300 | 800 | 600 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,000 | 7,100 | 7,700 | -100 | -700 | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 100 | 0 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 6,800 | 0 | -200 |
| SERVICES | 27,700 | 27,300 | 25,900 | 400 | 1,800 | 19,800 | 19,500 | 18,600 | 300 | 1,200 | 25,800 | 25,500 | 23,400 | 300 | 2,400 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 10,300 | 10,300 | 10,000 | 0 | 300 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,400 | -100 | -300 | 22,500 | 23,100 | 24,000 | -600 | -1,500 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,200 | 6,300 | 7,200 | -100 | -1,000 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 0 | 0 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 | 6,100 | 6,600 | 6,700 | -500 | -600 |
| Local | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,200 | 0 | 300 | 5,800 | 5,900 | 6,000 | -100 | -200 | 10,200 | 10,200 | 10,100 | 0 | 100 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 72,300 | 71,800 | 70,000 | 500 | 2,300 | 51,600 | 51,100 | 51,100 | 500 | 500 | 84,800 | 84,100 | 83,000 | 700 | 1,800 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

**Nashua PMSA** — includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** — includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth; the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood,, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, and York.

## Verry Interresting...!

**Here are some area annual average unemployment rates with ranks and error ranges.**

Table 8, on page 6, was extracted from a table in the U.S Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, news release entitled "Local Area Employment and Unemployment" dated March 20, 1994 which published annual averages for the fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Table 8 shows the average annual unemployment rates for 1992 and 1993 and the 1993 error range for the United States, the U.S. Census Regions and Divisions, and the states in the Northeast Region. We have added the 1993 ranks from, lowest to highest, for the nine Northeast Census Region states.

*See Table 8 on page 6.*

Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | MAY 1994 | APRIL 1994 | MAY 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAMS:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 3,972 | 4,688 | 3,034 | -716 | -15.3% | 938 | 30.9% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 27,096 | 26,960 | 16,765 | 136 | 0.5% | 10,331 | 61.6% |
| **FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 4 | 112 | 1,091 | -108 | -96.4% | -1,087 | -99.6% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 224 | 1,076 | 23,431 | -852 | -79.2% | -23,207 | -99.0% |

Continued weeks claimed for regular unemployment compensation are again up substantially from a year ago - but total with EUC is lower, only four initial EUC claims.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of May: $194,046,455.19
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $139.75
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $3,058,450.07
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $21,456,368.75
- ☐ Interest Received: $2,837,925.44

TOTAL WEEKS CLAIMED FALL OFF SLIGHTLY, EUC ACTIVITY IS NEGLIGIBLE

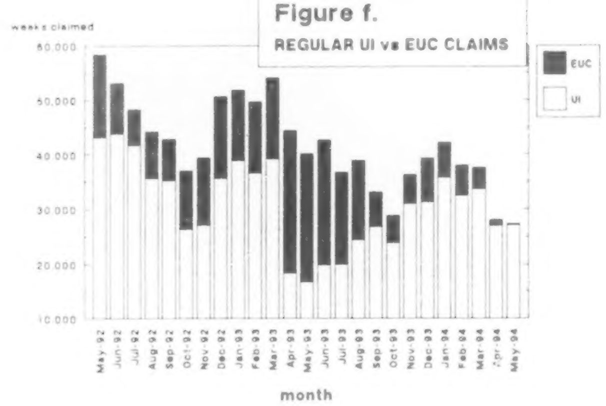


**Figure f.**
REGULAR UI vs EUC CLAIMS

FUND RETURNS TO NEAR 1989 LEVEL

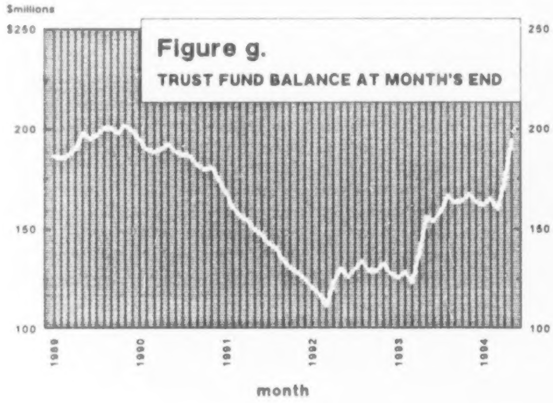


**Figure g.**
TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

*"Verry Interresting" - continued from page 5*

Table 8. **1992 AND 1993 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOR THE UNITED STATES, CENSUS REGIONS AND DIVISIONS, AND NORTHEAST REGION STATES**

| Region/state | unemployment rate 1992 | unemployment rate 1993 | error range[1] of 1993 rate | rank (of 51) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| United States | 7.4% | 6.8% | 6.7% - 6.9% | - |
| Northeast | | | | |
| New England | | | | |
| Connecticut | 7.5% | 6.2% | 5.5% - 6.9% | (tie) 22 |
| Maine | 7.1% | 7.9% | 7.1% - 8.7% | 48 |
| Massachusetts | 8.5% | 6.9% | 6.6% - 7.2% | (tie) 31 |
| New Hampshire | 7.5% | 6.6% | 5.9% - 7.3% | 30 |
| Rhode Island | 8.9% | 7.7% | 6.9% - 8.5% | (tie) 46 |
| Vermont | 6.6% | 5.4% | 4.7% - 6.1% | (tie) 15 |
| Middle Atlantic | | | | |
| New Jersey | 8.4% | 7.4% | 7.0% - 7.8% | (tie) 38 |
| New York | 8.5% | 7.7% | 7.4% - 8.0% | (tie) 46 |
| Pennsylvania | 7.5% | 7.0% | 6.6% - 7.4% | (tie) 32 |

| Region/division | unemployment rate 1992 | unemployment rate 1993 | error range[1] of 1993 rate |
|---|---|---|---|
| Northeast | 8.1% | 7.2% | 7.0% - 7.4% |
| New England | 8.0% | 6.8% | 6.5% - 7.1% |
| Middle Atlantic | 8.1% | 7.4% | 7.2% - 7.6% |
| Midwest | 6.5% | 6.0% | 5.8% - 6.2% |
| East North Central | 7.3% | 6.5% | 6.3% - 6.7% |
| West North Central | 4.8% | 4.9% | 4.6% - 5.2% |
| South | 7.2% | 6.5% | 6.4% - 6.6% |
| South Atlantic | 7.1% | 6.2% | 6.0% - 6.4% |
| East South Central | 7.0% | 6.4% | 6.1% - 6.7% |
| West South Central | 7.4% | 6.9% | 6.6% - 7.2% |
| West | 8.1% | 7.9% | 7.7% - 8.1% |
| Mountain | 6.4% | 5.8% | 5.5% - 6.1% |
| Pacific | 8.6% | 8.7% | 8.4% - 9.0% |

[1] Error ranges are shown at the 90-percent confidence level.

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| Local Area Unemployment Statistics | (603) 228-4175 |
| Occupational Employment Statistics | (603) 228-4120 |
| TTD Access: Relay NH 1 | (800) 735-2964 |

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**Boston Regional Office:**

| | |
|---|---|
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| Consumer Price Index (recorded message) | (617) 565-2325 |

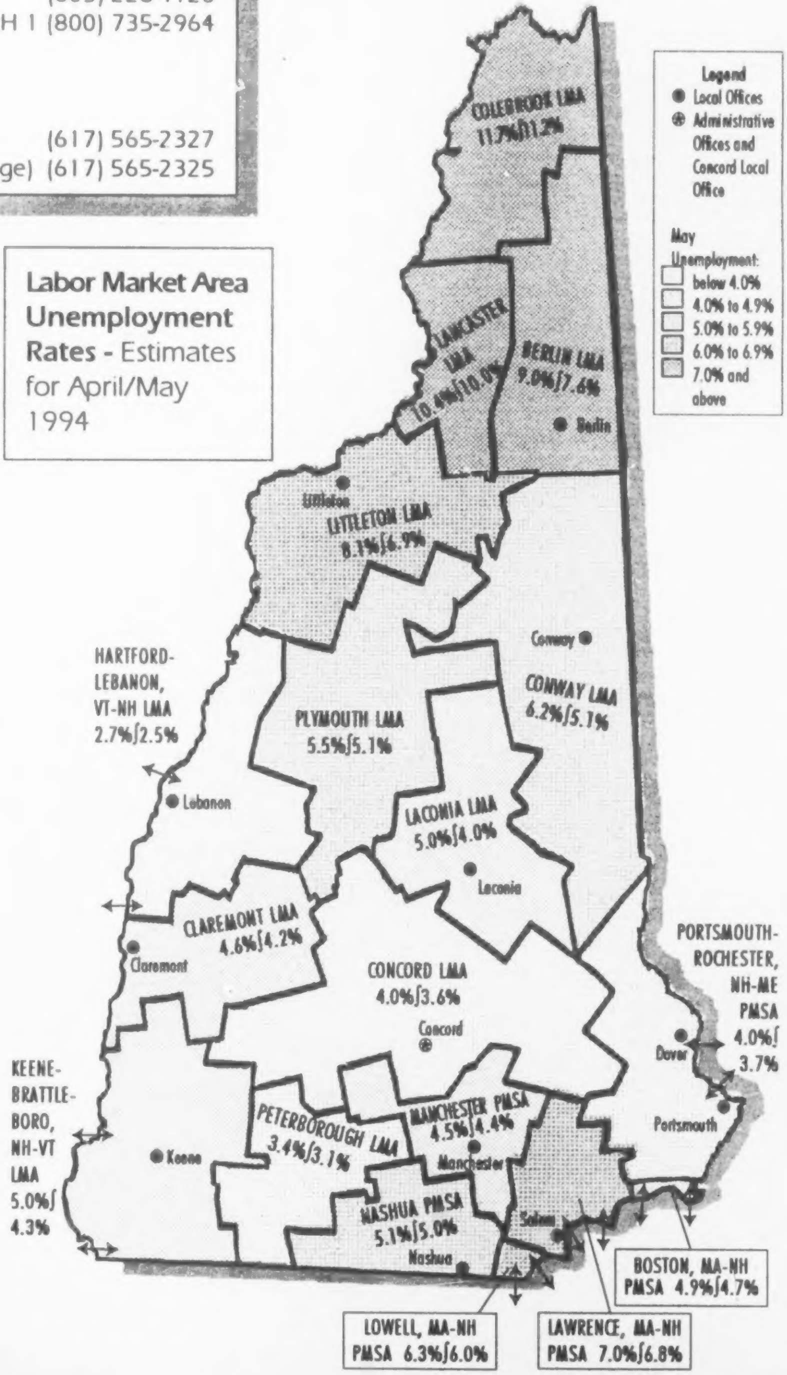
## County Unemployment Rates - Estimates for April/May 1994

| | April | May | | April | May |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 5.2% | 4.4% | Hillsborough | 4.7% | 4.6% |
| Carroll | 6.0% | 4.8% | Merrimack | 3.8% | 3.4% |
| Cheshire | 4.6% | 3.8% | Rockingham | 5.5% | 5.1% |
| Coos | 10.0% | 9.0% | Strafford | 4.0% | 4.0% |
| Grafton | 4.4% | 3.8% | Sullivan | 4.6% | 4.3% |

**New Hampshire Employment Security Local Offices:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Berlin | (603) 752-5500 |
| Claremont | (603) 543-3111 |
| Concord | (603) 228-4100 |
| Conway | (603) 447-3816 |
| Dover | (603) 742-3600 |
| Keene | (603) 352-1904 |
| Laconia | (603) 524-3960 |
| Lebanon | (603) 448-6340 |
| Littleton | (603) 444-2971 |
| Manchester | (603) 627-7841 |
| Nashua | (603) 882-5177 |
| Portsmouth | (603) 436-3702 |
| Salem | (603) 893-9185 |

## Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates - Estimates for April/May 1994



COLEBROOK LMA 11.7%/11.2%
LANCASTER LMA 10.4%/10.0%
BERLIN LMA 9.0%/7.6%
Berlin
Littleton
LITTLETON LMA 8.1%/6.9%
Conway
CONWAY LMA 6.2%/5.1%
HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 2.7%/2.5%
PLYMOUTH LMA 5.5%/5.1%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 5.0%/4.0%
Laconia
CLAREMONT LMA 4.6%/4.2%
Claremont
CONCORD LMA 4.0%/3.6%
Concord
PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA 4.0%/3.7%
Dover
Portsmouth
KEENE-BRATTLEBORO, NH-VT LMA 5.0%/4.3%
Keene
PETERBOROUGH LMA 3.4%/3.1%
MANCHESTER PMSA 4.5%/4.4%
Manchester
NASHUA PMSA 5.1%/5.0%
Nashua
Salem
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 4.9%/4.7%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 6.3%/6.0%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 7.0%/6.8%
Legend
● Local Offices
⊕ Administrative Offices and Concord Local Office
May Unemployment:
☐ below 4.0%
☐ 4.0% to 4.9%
☐ 5.0% to 5.9%
▨ 6.0% to 6.9%
▨ 7.0% and above

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## Did you know?

In 1993, as in five of the last six years, New Hampshire ranked among the top ten in per capita personal income among all states.

The ten states with the highest per capita personal incomes in 1993 were:

| State | Per Capita Personal Income | Rank 1993 | Rank 1992 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Connecticut | $28,110 | 1 | 1 |
| New Jersey | 26,967 | 2 | 2 |
| New York | 24,623 | 3 | 3 |
| Massachusetts | 24,563 | 4 | 4 |
| Maryland | 24,044 | 5 | 5 |
| Hawaii | 23,354 | 6 | 6 |
| Alaska | 22,846 | 7 | 7 |
| Nevada | 22,729 | 8 | 10 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 22,659 | 9 | 8 |
| Illinois | 22,582 | 10 | 9 |

## In recent years, New Hampshire has consistently ranked among U.S. states with the highest per capita personal income.

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*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

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The recent recession led to increases in employer unemployment compensation taxes, nationwide.

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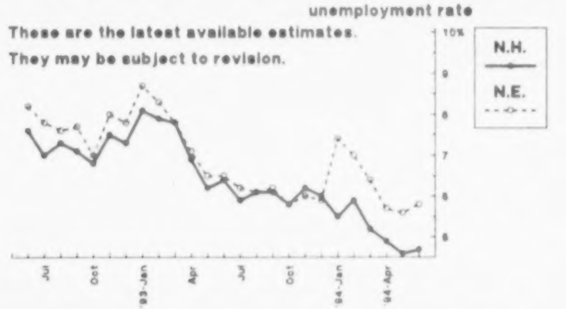
- The New Hampshire not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June edged up by 0.1 percentage points to 4.7 percent, from May's estimate, which remained unchanged, after labor force estimate revisions, at 4.6 percent. The benchmarked June 1993 rate for the state was 6.4 percent.
- The national not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June increased to 6.2 percent, 0.3 percentage points higher than in May. Last June it was 7.1 percent.
- The end of the school year entry of students and teachers into the labor force helped to push New Hampshire's labor force up to an estimated 626,310 in June. Seasonal hiring contributed to a rise in the number of New Hampshire residents employed to 597,100. Unemployment was up by 1,150 as the rate of new hires lagged behind the growth of the labor force.
- Nonfarm wage and salary employment in New Hampshire increased to an estimated 518,700, up 7,300 jobs from May's revised total of 511,400 and 9,900 over the year.
- June's services jobs numbers grew by 3,100 from May and by 5,700 over the year. Retail trade increased 3,800 jobs over the month and 2,400 from last June. Construction employment gained just 500 jobs over the month and a disappointing 100 over the year.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

### N.H. & NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES HAVE MOVED IN TANDEM IN RECENT MONTHS



These are the latest available estimates. They may be subject to revision.

**Figure a.**

N.H. AND NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

### NEW ENGLAND STILL LAGS BEHIND NEW HAMPSHIRE IN NONAG JOBS GAINS

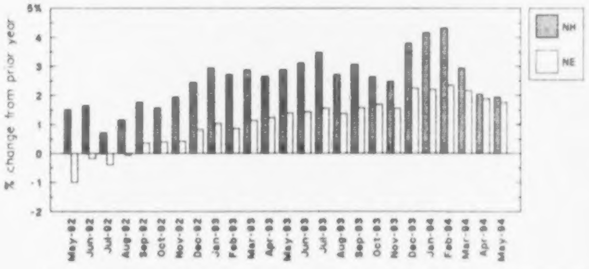


**Figure b.**

GROWTH OF JOBS IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT FROM SAME MONTH, PRIOR YEAR, NH/NE

### Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | **Number of Workers**<br>**June** 1994 | <br>**May** 1994 | <br>**June** 1993 | **Net Change From Previous:**<br>**Month** | <br>**Year** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 626,310 | 615,020 | 623,850 | 11,290 | 2,460 |
| Employed | 597,100 | 586,960 | 583,820 | 10,140 | 13,280 |
| Unemployed | 29,210 | 28,060 | 40,030 | 1,150 | -10,820 |
| Unemployment Rate *(percent of labor force)* | 4.7% | 4.6% | 6.4% | — | — |

### Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**<br>**Labor Force Estimates**<br>*(by place of residence)* | **June** 1994 | **May** 1994 | **June** 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.2% | 5.9% | 7.1% |
| **New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas** | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 5.1% | 4.5% | 6.3% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.3% | 5.0% | 7.0% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 4.1% | 4.0% | 5.1% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 5.3% | 4.7% | 5.6% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 7.4% | 6.7% | 8.3% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.8% | 5.9% | 7.6% |
| **In the Region** | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 5.8% | 5.6% | 6.5% |
| Connecticut | 5.4% | 5.3% | 6.5% |
| Maine | 6.0% | 5.8% | 7.9% |
| Massachusetts | 6.0% | 5.4% | 6.4% |
| New Hampshire | 4.7% | 4.6% | 6.4% |
| Rhode Island | 5.9% | 5.9% | 7.2% |
| Vermont | 4.0% | 4.3% | 5.2% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 7.1% | 7.1% | 7.0% |
| New York | 7.1% | 6.4% | 7.7% |
| Pennsylvania | 5.8% | 6.4% | 6.8% |

## NEW ENGLAND RATE MODERATES, CALIFORNIA DRIVES UP PACIFIC DIVISION RATE

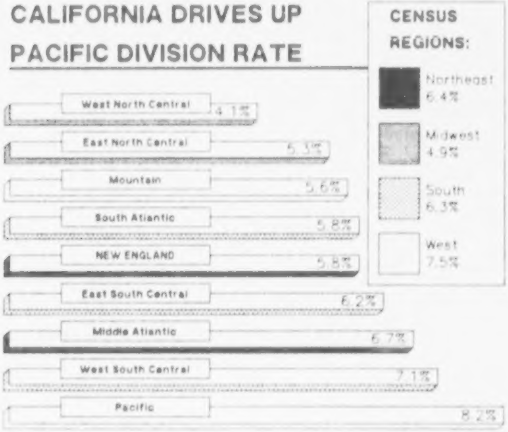


**Figure c.**
JUNE UNEMPLOYMENT, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED IN U.S. CENSUS DIVISIONS

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## Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate slipped by 0.1 percentage points to 4.7 percent; the June U.S. adjusted unemployment rate was 6.0, unchanged from May.

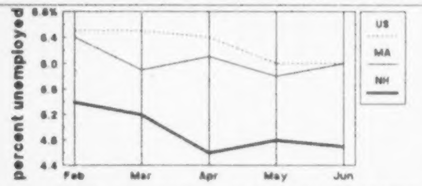
Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 5.4% | 5.2% | 4.6% | 4.8% | 4.7% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 618,210 | 623,120 | 623,520 | 616,960 | 621,480 |
| Number Employed | 585,000 | 590,770 | 594,600 | 587,430 | 592,220 |
| Number Unemployed | 33,210 | 32,350 | 28,920 | 29,530 | 29,260 |
| UNITED STATES | *(United States labor force numbers in thousands)* | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.0% | 6.0% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 130,776 | 130,580 | 130,747 | 130,774 | 130,248 |
| Number Employed | 122,258 | 122,037 | 122,338 | 122,872 | 122,430 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,518 | 8,543 | 8,408 | 7,902 | 7,817 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

**Figure d.**

**NH/MASSACHUSETTS/US SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**NH JUNE ADJUSTED RATE MOVES FURTHER FROM MASS AND US RATES**

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Feb-94 | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 512,500 | 514,300 | 514,000 | 512,200 | 513,900 |
| mining* | 300 | 300 | 400 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 18,300 | 18,300 | 18,000 | 17,600 | 17,000 |
| manufacturing | 97,900 | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,400 |
| durable goods | 66,000 | 66,100 | 66,000 | 66,300 | 66,500 |
| nondurable goods | 31,900 | 32,000 | 32,100 | 31,800 | 31,900 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 18,200 | 18,200 | 17,900 | 18,200 | 18,400 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 130,200 | 130,900 | 131,900 | 130,800 | 132,100 |
| wholesale trade | 22,700 | 22,900 | 22,900 | 22,800 | 22,900 |
| retail trade | 107,500 | 108,000 | 109,000 | 108,000 | 109,200 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 30,100 | 30,100 | 29,800 | 29,800 | 29,500 |
| services | 140,900 | 141,600 | 142,900 | 143,000 | 143,400 |
| government | 76,600 | 76,700 | 75,000 | 74,200 | 74,600 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

Adjusted total nonfarm employment for June rebounded by 1,700 jobs, to an estimated total of 513,900 jobs.

**STEADY SERVICES GAINS COMBINE WITH A REBOUNDING RETAIL TRADE AND GOVERNMENT TO BOOST JOB TOTALS**

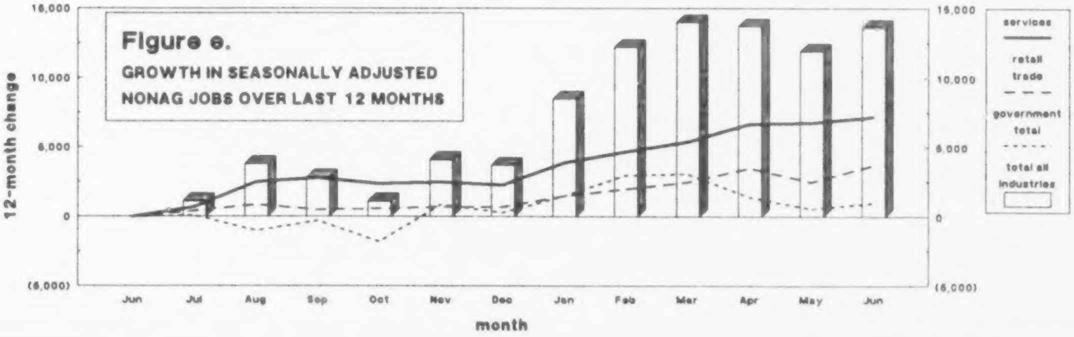


**Figure e.**

**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program**<br>**Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs**<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on June 1993 data | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Net Change** From Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | JUNE 1994 | MAY 1994 | JUNE 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 518,700 | 511,400 | 508,800 | 7,300 | 9,900 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 444,800 | 435,400 | 435,400 | 9,400 | 9,400 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 117,800 | 116,200 | 115,900 | 1,600 | 1,900 |
| MINING | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 18,100 | 17,600 | 18,000 | 500 | 100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 99,200 | 98,100 | 97,400 | 1,100 | 1,800 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal* -** | 67,000 | 66,200 | 65,800 | 800 | 1,200 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 0 | 0 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,000 | 100 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,800 | 4,700 | 4,200 | 100 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,600 | 7,400 | 7,200 | 200 | 400 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 18,300 | 18,300 | 18,800 | 0 | -500 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 15,000 | 14,600 | 13,700 | 400 | 1,300 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 0 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 10,700 | 10,700 | 11,600 | 0 | -900 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal* -** | 32,200 | 31,900 | 31,600 | 300 | 600 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,500 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 100 | 0 |
| Textile mill products | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,600 | 0 | 100 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,400 | 2,500 | 2,200 | -100 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,600 | 4,400 | 4,600 | 200 | 0 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,500 | 0 | 300 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,800 | 1,900 | 2,100 | -100 | -300 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,500 | 8,400 | 8,100 | 100 | 400 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 327,000 | 319,200 | 319,500 | 7,800 | 7,500 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 18,600 | 18,200 | 18,400 | 400 | 200 |
| **Trade Total -** | 133,700 | 129,400 | 131,600 | 4,300 | 2,100 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 23,300 | 22,800 | 23,600 | 500 | -300 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 110,400 | 106,600 | 108,000 | 3,800 | 2,400 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,700 | 29,700 | 30,200 | 0 | -500 |
| SERVICES | 145,000 | 141,900 | 139,300 | 3,100 | 5,700 |
| Health Services | 42,800 | 42,600 | 42,000 | 200 | 800 |
| GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 73,900 | 76,000 | 73,400 | -2,100 | 500 |
| Federal | 7,800 | 7,600 | 7,700 | 200 | 100 |
| State | 19,000 | 20,400 | 18,400 | -1,400 | 600 |
| Local | 47,100 | 48,000 | 47,300 | -900 | -200 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 400,900 | 395,200 | 392,900 | 5,700 | 8,000 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics*

Table 6. **MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS, AT MID MONTH**

| **Current Employment Statistics** (CES or BLS 790) program | **Manchester PMSA** | | | | | **Nashua PMSA** | | | | | **Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Employment by Industry** | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** From Previous | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** From Previous | | **Number of Jobs** | | | **Change** From Previous | |
| **Number of Jobs** by place of establishment, benchmarked on June 1993 data | JUNE 1994 | MAY 1994 | JUNE 1993 | **Month** | **Year** | JUNE 1994 | MAY 1994 | JUNE 1993 | **Month** | **Year** | JUNE 1994 | MAY 1994 | JUNE 1993 | **Month** | **Year** |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 87,100 | 86,600 | 85,000 | 500 | 2,100 | 79,900 | 80,100 | 80,400 | -200 | -500 | 105,100 | 104,900 | 103,800 | 200 | 1,300 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total** - | 76,800 | 76,300 | 75,200 | 500 | 1,600 | 72,800 | 73,000 | 73,300 | -200 | -500 | 84,600 | 82,400 | 81,700 | 2,200 | 2,900 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total** - | 14,700 | 14,500 | 14,500 | 200 | 200 | 28,700 | 28,600 | 29,000 | 100 | -300 | 20,100 | 20,000 | 20,400 | 100 | -300 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,200 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 100 | 0 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,200 | 0 | -100 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,800 | 100 | -200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,500 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 100 | 200 | 26,600 | 26,500 | 26,800 | 100 | -200 | 17,500 | 17,500 | 17,600 | 0 | -100 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal** - | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,900 | 0 | 0 | 20,900 | 20,800 | 21,200 | 100 | -300 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 10,100 | 0 | 0 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 0 | 100 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,700 | 0 | 100 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal** - | 4,600 | 4,500 | 4,400 | 100 | 200 | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,600 | 0 | 100 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,500 | 0 | -100 |
| **Private Service Producing Total** - | 62,100 | 61,800 | 60,700 | 300 | 1,400 | 44,100 | 44,400 | 44,300 | -300 | -200 | 64,500 | 62,400 | 61,300 | 2,100 | 3,200 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,900 | 5,600 | 5,300 | 300 | 600 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 2,100 | 100 | -100 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,300 | 0 | 500 |
| **Trade Total** - | 21,600 | 21,400 | 21,500 | 200 | 100 | 19,900 | 19,500 | 20,000 | 400 | -100 | 27,700 | 26,200 | 26,900 | 1,500 | 800 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,900 | 4,800 | 5,200 | 100 | -300 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 3,600 | 100 | -300 | 3,600 | 3,300 | 3,400 | 300 | 200 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,700 | 16,600 | 16,300 | 100 | 400 | 16,600 | 16,300 | 16,400 | 300 | 200 | 24,100 | 22,900 | 23,500 | 1,200 | 600 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 6,800 | 7,000 | 7,800 | -200 | -1,000 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 0 | 0 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 6,800 | 0 | -200 |
| SERVICES | 27,800 | 27,800 | 26,100 | 0 | 1,700 | 19,000 | 19,800 | 19,000 | -800 | 0 | 26,400 | 25,800 | 24,300 | 600 | 2,100 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total** - | 10,300 | 10,300 | 9,800 | 0 | 500 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 0 | 0 | 20,500 | 22,500 | 22,100 | -2,000 | -1,600 |
| Federal | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 100 | 100 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,100 | 6,200 | 7,200 | -100 | -1,100 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 | 4,400 | 6,100 | 4,800 | -1,700 | -400 |
| Local | 6,400 | 6,500 | 6,100 | -100 | 300 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 5,700 | 0 | 100 | 10,000 | 10,200 | 10,100 | -200 | -100 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total** - | 72,400 | 72,100 | 70,500 | 300 | 1,900 | 51,200 | 51,500 | 51,400 | -300 | -200 | 85,000 | 84,900 | 83,400 | 100 | 1,600 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, and Weare.

**Nashua PMSA** — includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, and Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** — includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth; the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood,, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, and Stratham; and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, and York.

N.A. - *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

Table 7. **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR**

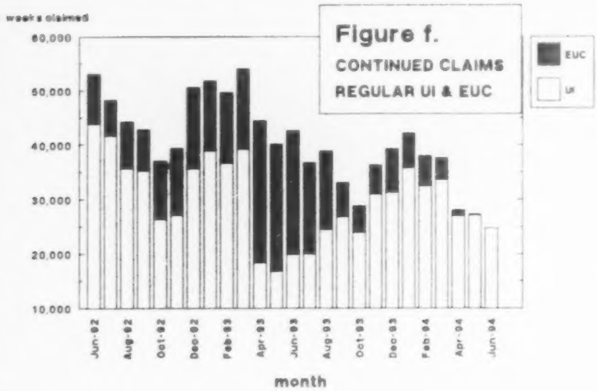
| New Hampshire Employment Security UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS ACTIVITY | JUNE 1994 | MAY 1994 | JUNE 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Total Regular Unemployment Compensation Programs:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 4,287 | 3,972 | 3,598 | 315 | 7.9% | 689 | 19.1% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 24,821 | 27,096 | 19,905 | -2,275 | -8.4% | 4,916 | 24.7% |
| **Federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation:** | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 0 | 4 | 1,347 | -4 | -100.0% | -1,347 | -100.0% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 0 | 224 | 22,754 | -224 | -100.0% | -22,754 | -100.0% |

Weeks claimed for regular unemployment compensation were up from a year ago - but down with the EUC claims added in. For the first time since November 1991, there were no EUC claims.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of June: $190,523,228.44
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $144.41
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $3,814,118.77
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $290,892.02
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

### REGULAR UI CLAIMS DROP, NO EUC CLAIMS FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE OCTOBER 1991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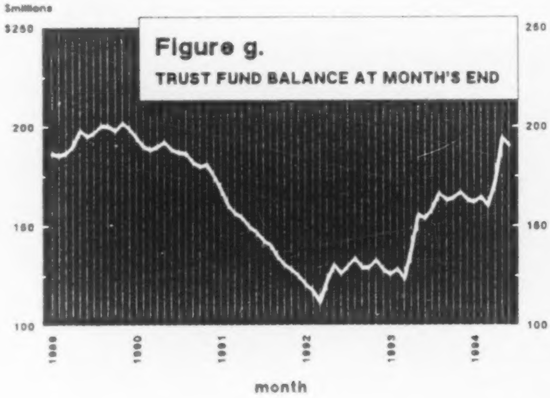
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TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

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## County Unemployment Rates -
Estimates for May/June 1994

| | May | June | | May | June |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 4.4% | 4.3% | Hillsborough | 4.7% | 5.1% |
| Carroll | 4.7% | 3.8% | Merrimack | 3.5% | 3.8% |
| Cheshire | 3.6% | 4.0% | Rockingham | 5.2% | 5.6% |
| Coos | 8.6% | 5.7% | Strafford | 4.2% | 4.2% |
| Grafton | 3.6% | 3.0% | Sullivan | 4.1% | 3.5% |

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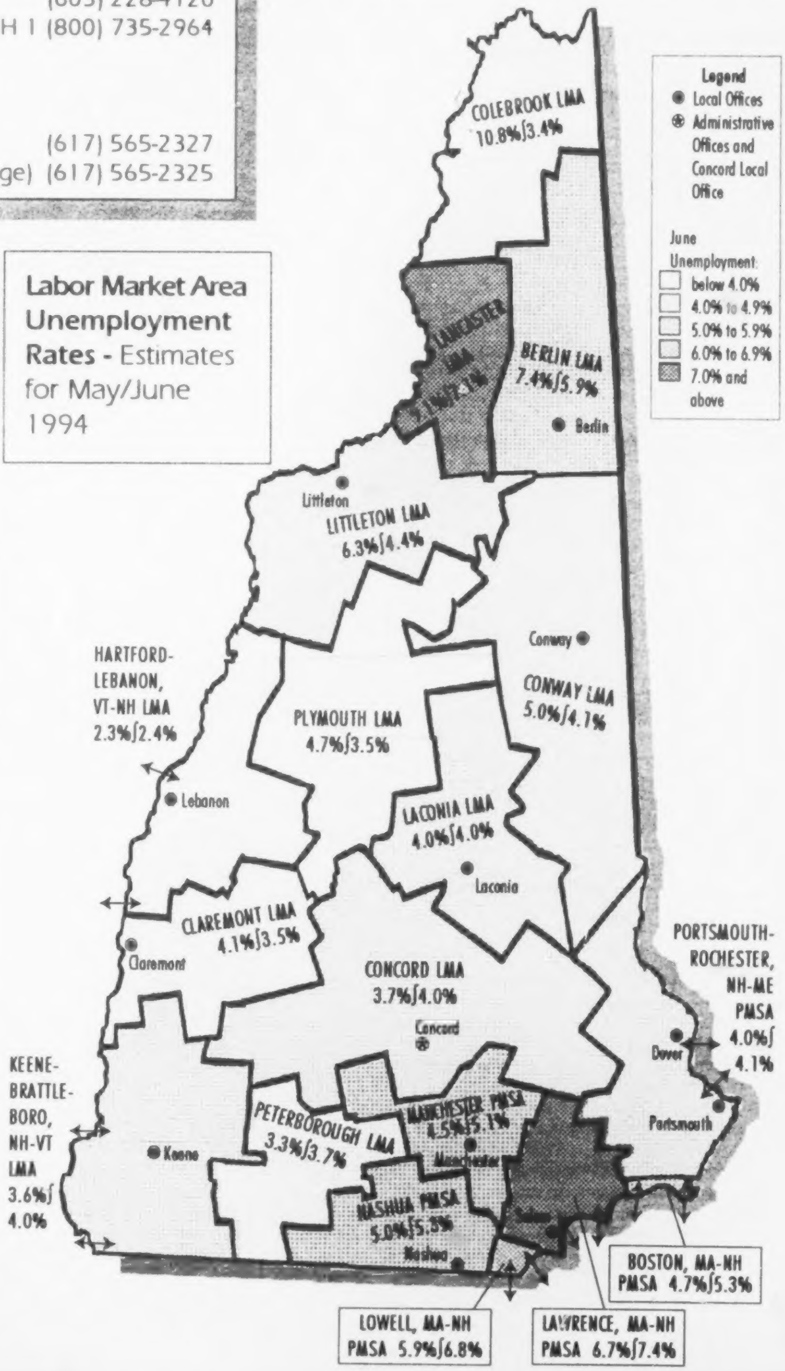
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Concord
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Dover
Portsmouth
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3.6%/4.0%
Keene
PETERBOROUGH LMA
3.3%/3.7%
MANCHESTER PMSA
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LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 5.9%/6.8%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 6.7%/7.4%
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☐ below 4.0%
☐ 4.0% to 4.9%
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☐ 6.0% to 6.9%
▨ 7.0% and above

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# Did you know?

## A declining New Hampshire unemployment insurance fund, hard hit by recession, required increases in employer taxes.

During the recession, many states depleted their unemployment-insurance fund balances below the minimum prescribed by state law. When that happens, states typically increase the unemployment insurance tax rate, raise the taxable wage base, or impose a supplementary tax. Whichever remedy a state chooses, the result is the same. Employers pay higher unemployment-insurance taxes.

On average, unemployment insurance taxes have risen 15 percent nationwide since they hit a five-year low in 1991 of $182 annually per employee. In 1993, the national average rose to $210. Areas hit harder by the recession such as the northeast, saw the highest increases. Rhode Island saw its average UI cost per employee go from $416 in 1991 to $633 in 1993, a 52 percent jump. In Massachusetts, the average cost rose from $315 to $477, a 51% rise, during the same period. New Hampshire's cost per employee for UI, which started from a much smaller base, increased by 86%, rising from $113 to $210, the national average, between 1991 and 1993.

The following chart compares the average UI tax paid by employers per employee in each state and the District of Columbia. Also, the percentage of unemployment claims approved. Data is for 1993.

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

Unemployment Taxes: How the States Compare

| Rank | State | Average UI tax per employee | Percentage of claims approved |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | South Dakota | $ 91 | 64% |
| 2 | Indiana | $140 | 67% |
| 3 | Nebraska | $140 | 75% |
| 4 | Virginia | $152 | 49% |
| 5 | Arizona | $161 | 69% |
| 6 | Texas | $173 | 68% |
| 7 | Oklahoma | $181 | 61% |
| 8 | North Carolina | $181 | 57% |
| 9 | South Carolina | $182 | 61% |
| 10 | Florida | $182 | 71% |
| 11 | Alabama | $184 | 76% |
| 12 | Georgia | $192 | 69% |
| 13 | Tennessee | $196 | 62% |
| 14 | Colorado | $196 | 66% |
| 15 | Mississippi | $203 | 59% |
| 16 | NEW HAMPSHIRE | $210 | 81% |
| | United States average | $210 | — |
| 17 | Utah | $213 | 79% |
| 18 | Louisiana | $218 | 63% |
| 19 | Kentucky | $224 | 75% |
| 20 | North Dakota | $232 | 78% |
| 21 | New Mexico | $245 | 64% |
| 22 | Kansas | $248 | 76% |
| 23 | New Jersey | $249 | 70% |
| 24 | Missouri | $252 | 59% |
| 25 | Montana | $259 | 83% |
| 26 | Iowa | $266 | 77% |
| 27 | Vermont | $272 | 91% |
| 28 | Delaware | $277 | 95% |
| 29 | Nevada | $278 | 81% |
| 30 | Illinois | $281 | 63% |
| 31 | Wisconsin | $287 | 91% |
| 32 | Wyoming | $289 | 62% |
| 33 | Hawaii | $295 | 77% |
| 34 | West Virginia | $296 | 79% |
| 35 | Connecticut | $297 | 76% |
| 36 | Maryland | $303 | 74% |
| 37 | Ohio | $303 | 70% |
| 38 | California | $308 | 66% |
| 39 | Arkansas | $311 | 69% |
| 40 | Minnesota | $313 | 99% |
| 41 | Maine | $322 | 77% |
| 42 | New York | $392 | 77% |
| 43 | Idaho | $402 | 89% |
| 44 | District of Columbia | $416 | 71% |
| 45 | Pennsylvania | $440 | 78% |
| 46 | Michigan | $449 | 74% |
| 47 | Massachusetts | $477 | 78% |
| 48 | Washington | $482 | 79% |
| 49 | Alaska | $520 | 84% |
| 50 | Oregon | $524 | 80% |
| 51 | Rhode Island | $633 | 80% |

Source: *Nation's Business*, August 1994, "Jobless Benefits Cost Firms More".

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- New Hampshire's preliminary not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July declined by 0.4 percentage points, to 4.3 percent, from the June estimate of 4.7 percent which was unchanged by revised labor force numbers. Though not strictly comparable due to changes in the Current Population Survey, the July 1993 rate was 5.9 percent.
- The national not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July was the same as the June rate - 6.2 percent. A year ago it was 6.9 percent.
- The preliminary July estimates for the state showed typical seasonal changes. The labor force increased to 632,930, and employment to 605,400, while unemployment dropped by 1,700 to 27,530.
- Seasonal changes in manufacturing and government helped to lower not seasonally adjusted nonfarm wage and salary employment totals to an estimated 513,600 jobs, down 4,500 from June's revised total. Over the year, however, nonfarm employment added 13,200 jobs.
- Seasonality was also the dominate force driving over-the-month gains in services up 2,900; retail trade up 1,100; construction up just 800.
- The state's July-to-July retail trade jobs total, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 2.5 percent; and manufacturing employment showed an encouraging 2.1 percent gain over the year.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

**THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNADJUSTED RATE CONTINUES TO OUTPERFORM THE U.S. RATE**

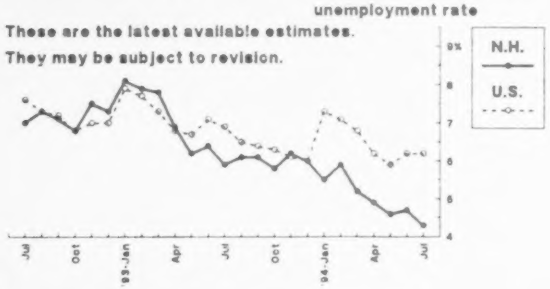


**Figure a.**

N.H. AND U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES
(not seasonally adjusted)

**A LESS SEVERE SEASONAL DROP IN JULY HALTS THIRD QUARTER TIGHTENING OF OVER-THE-YEAR GAINS NONFARM**

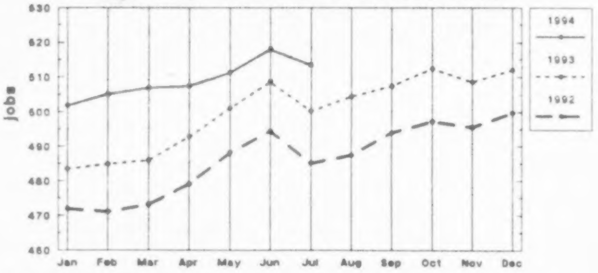


**Figure b.**

TOTAL JOBS IN NH NONFARM EMPLOYMENT 1992-1994
(not seasonally adjusted)

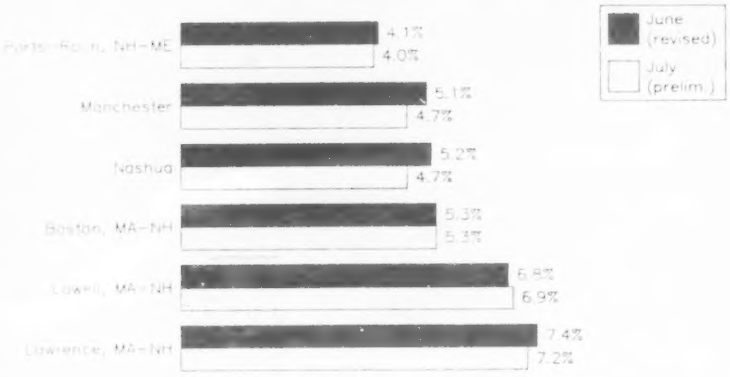
Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates *(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers July 1994 | June 1994 | July 1993 | Net Change From Previous Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 632,930 | 626,610 | 625,550 | 6,320 | 7,380 |
| Employed | 605,400 | 597,380 | 588,530 | 8,020 | 16,870 |
| Unemployed | 27,530 | 29,230 | 37,020 | -1,700 | -9,490 |
| Unemployment Rate *(% of labor force)* | 4.3 | 4.7 | 5.9 | — | — |

Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates (by place of residence) | July 1994 | June 1994 | July 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 6.2% | 6.2% | 6.9% |
| New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 4.7% | 5.1% | 5.5% |
| Nashua PMSA | 4.7% | 5.2% | 6.3% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 4.0% | 4.1% | 6.0% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 5.3% | 5.3% | 5.8% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 7.2% | 7.4% | 8.2% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.9% | 6.8% | 7.7% |
| in the Region | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 6.0% | 5.8% | 6.2% |
| Connecticut | 5.6% | 5.5% | 6.6% |
| Maine | 5.4% | 6.1% | 6.4% |
| Massachusetts | 6.0% | 6.0% | 6.6% |
| New Hampshire | 4.3% | 4.7% | 5.9% |
| Rhode Island | 6.2% | 5.9% | 6.8% |
| Vermont | 3.6% | 4.0% | 4.5% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 6.7% | 7.1% | 7.3% |
| New York | 6.9% | 7.1% | 7.4% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.7% | 5.8% | 7.3% |

## AMONG NEW HAMPSHIRE'S SIX PMSAs ONLY THE LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA SAW NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED RATES RISE



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NH/NH-MA/NH-ME PMSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES
(not seasonnally adjusted)

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## Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July increased slightly to 4.8%; the U.S. adjusted unemployment rate for July was 6.1%, down from the 6.8% rate of a year ago.

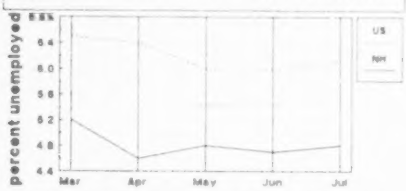
Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 (revised) | Jul-94 (preliminary) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 5.2% | 4.6% | 4.8% | 4.7% | 4.8% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 623,120 | 623,520 | 616,960 | 621,780 | 627,200 |
| Number Employed | 590,770 | 594,600 | 587,430 | 592,500 | 596,890 |
| Number Unemployed | 32,350 | 28,920 | 29,530 | 29,280 | 30,310 |
| UNITED STATES | (United States labor force numbers in thousands) | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.5% | 6.4% | 6.0% | 6.0% | 6.1% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 130,580 | 130,747 | 130,774 | 130,248 | 130,457 |
| Number Employed | 122,037 | 122,338 | 122,872 | 122,430 | 122,452 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,543 | 8,408 | 7,902 | 7,817 | 8,005 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

**Figure d.**

**NH AND US SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**NH AND US ADJUSTED RATES BOTH MOVE UP SLIGHTLY**

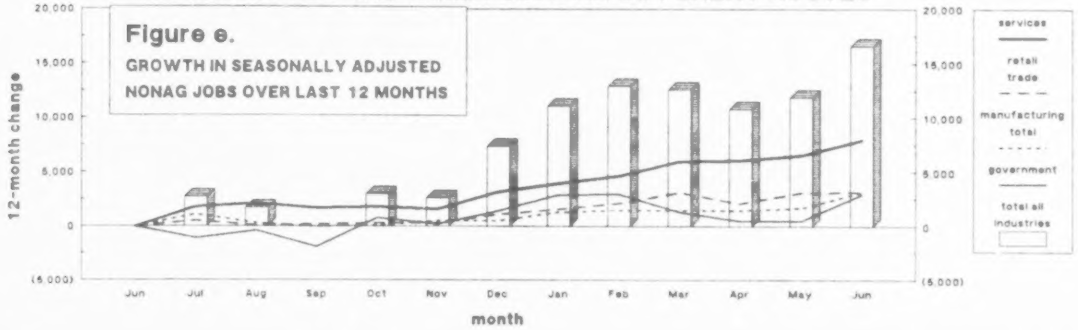
Adjusted nonfarm employment increased to 518,000; up from June's revised total of 513,300. Gainers included manufacturing, retail trade, and services. Construction job totals decreased.

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONFARM EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Mar-94 | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 (revised) | Jul-94 (preliminary) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES** | **514,300** | **514,000** | **512,200** | **513,300** | **518,000** |
| mining* | 300 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 18,300 | 18,000 | 17,600 | 17,100 | 16,900 |
| manufacturing | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,300 | 99,800 |
| durable goods | 66,100 | 66,000 | 66,300 | 66,400 | 67,200 |
| nondurable goods | 32,000 | 32,100 | 31,800 | 31,900 | 32,600 |
| transportation, communications, public utilities | 18,200 | 17,900 | 18,200 | 18,300 | 18,300 |
| **wholesale and retail trade, combined** | 130,900 | 131,900 | 130,800 | 131,900 | 131,900 |
| wholesale trade | 22,900 | 22,900 | 22,800 | 22,900 | 22,800 |
| retail trade | 108,000 | 109,000 | 108,000 | 109,000 | 109,100 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 30,100 | 29,800 | 29,800 | 29,500 | 29,000 |
| services | 141,600 | 142,900 | 143,000 | 143,500 | 144,900 |
| government | 76,700 | 75,000 | 74,200 | 74,200 | 76,700 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

### WHILE THE SERVICES JOBS TOTAL CONTINUES TO SOAR RETAIL, GOVERNMENT, & MANUFACTURING JOBS TOTALS REACH NEARLY THE SAME POINT VIA DIFFERENT ROUTES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**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program<br>Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | Number of Jobs<br>JULY 1994 (preliminary) | JUNE 1994 (revised) | JULY 1993 | Net Change From Previous:<br>Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 513,600 | 518,100 | 500,400 | -4,500 | 13,200 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 446,400 | 444,600 | 436,700 | 1,800 | 9,700 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 116,500 | 117,800 | 114,500 | -1,300 | 2,000 |
| MINING | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 19,000 | 18,200 | 19,000 | 800 | 0 |
| MANUFACTURING | 97,000 | 99,100 | 95,000 | -2,100 | 2,000 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal* -** | 65,700 | 66,900 | 64,500 | -1,200 | 1,200 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,200 | 4,300 | 3,900 | -100 | 300 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 2,000 | 2,000 | 1,900 | 0 | 100 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,800 | 4,800 | 4,200 | 0 | 600 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,500 | 7,600 | 7,000 | -100 | 500 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 17,500 | 18,300 | 18,500 | -800 | -1,000 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 15,200 | 15,000 | 13,700 | 200 | 1,500 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,100 | 2,200 | 2,000 | -100 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 10,300 | 10,700 | 11,300 | -400 | -1,000 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal* -** | 31,300 | 32,200 | 30,500 | -900 | 800 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,500 | 2,600 | -100 | -200 |
| Textile mill products | 3,600 | 3,700 | 3,500 | -100 | 100 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,300 | 2,400 | 2,000 | -100 | 300 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,400 | 4,600 | 4,600 | -200 | -200 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,500 | 0 | 300 |
| Leather and leather products | 1,500 | 1,800 | 1,800 | -300 | -300 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,400 | 8,500 | 7,600 | -100 | 800 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 329,900 | 326,800 | 322,200 | 3,100 | 7,700 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 17,800 | 18,500 | 17,600 | -700 | 200 |
| **Trade Total -** | 134,600 | 133,500 | 132,300 | 1,100 | 2,300 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 23,300 | 23,300 | 23,700 | 0 | -400 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 111,300 | 110,200 | 108,600 | 1,100 | 2,700 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,500 | 29,700 | 30,500 | -200 | -1,000 |
| SERVICES | 148,000 | 145,100 | 141,800 | 2,900 | 6,200 |
| Health Services | 43,300 | 42,800 | 42,100 | 500 | 1,200 |
| Hospitals | 18,200 | 17,900 | 17,900 | 300 | 300 |
| Other Health Services | 25,200 | 24,900 | 24,200 | 300 | 1,000 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 67,200 | 73,500 | 63,700 | -6,300 | 3,500 |
| Federal | 7,800 | 7,700 | 7,700 | 100 | 100 |
| State | 18,800 | 18,800 | 16,500 | 0 | 2,300 |
| Local | 40,600 | 47,000 | 39,500 | -6,400 | 1,100 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT** | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 397,100 | 400,300 | 385,900 | -3,200 | 11,200 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics*

## Table 6. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program | Manchester PMSA | | | | | Nashua PMSA | | | | | Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Employment by Industry | Number of Jobs | | | Change | | Number of Jobs | | | Change | | Number of Jobs | | | Change | |
| Number of Jobs by place of establishment | JULY | JUNE | JULY | From Previous | | JULY | JUNE | JULY | From Previous | | JULY | JUNE | JULY | From Previous | |
| benchmarked on March 1993 data | 1994 | 1994 | 199 | | | 1994 | 1994 | 1993 | | | 1994 | 1994 | 1993 | | |
| | (prelim.) | (revised) | | Month | Year | (prelim.) | (revised) | | Month | Year | (prelim.) | (revised) | | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 86,500 | 87,000 | 84,700 | -500 | 1,800 | 79,300 | 80,700 | 78,600 | -1,400 | 700 | 104,300 | 105,000 | 100,900 | -700 | 3,400 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 77,200 | 76,700 | 75,500 | 500 | 1,700 | 73,100 | 73,600 | 72,600 | -500 | 500 | 84,900 | 84,400 | 81,600 | 500 | 3,300 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,800 | 14,700 | 14,700 | 100 | 100 | 28,200 | 28,700 | 28,600 | -500 | -400 | 19,700 | 20,100 | 19,500 | -400 | 200 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,600 | 3,300 | 3,700 | 300 | -100 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,200 | 100 | 0 | 2,800 | 2,600 | 2,900 | 200 | -100 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,200 | 11,400 | 11,000 | -200 | 200 | 26,000 | 26,600 | 26,400 | -600 | -400 | 16,900 | 17,500 | 16,600 | -600 | 300 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,700 | 6,900 | 6,600 | -200 | 100 | 20,400 | 20,900 | 20,900 | -500 | -500 | 9,900 | 10,100 | 9,900 | -200 | 0 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 | -100 | 0 | 11,400 | 11,800 | 11,500 | -400 | -100 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,400 | 0 | 100 | 5,600 | 5,700 | 5,500 | -100 | 100 | 7,000 | 7,400 | 6,700 | -400 | 300 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 62,400 | 62,000 | 60,800 | 400 | 1,600 | 44,900 | 44,900 | 44,000 | 0 | 900 | 65,200 | 64,300 | 62,100 | 900 | 3,100 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 6,000 | 5,800 | 5,300 | 200 | 700 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 0 | -100 | 3,900 | 3,800 | 3,600 | 100 | 300 |
| **Trade Total -** | 21,200 | 21,600 | 21,000 | -400 | 200 | 20,000 | 19,800 | 19,900 | 200 | 100 | 28,000 | 27,600 | 27,000 | 400 | 1,000 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,700 | 4,900 | 5,100 | -200 | -400 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,600 | 0 | -300 | 3,800 | 3,600 | 3,400 | 200 | 400 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,500 | 16,700 | 15,900 | -200 | 600 | 16,700 | 16,500 | 16,300 | 200 | 400 | 24,200 | 24,000 | 23,600 | 200 | 600 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 6,800 | 6,800 | 7,700 | 0 | -900 | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,300 | 0 | -200 | 6,500 | 6,600 | 6,800 | -100 | -300 |
| SERVICES | 28,400 | 27,800 | 26,800 | 600 | 1,600 | 19,800 | 20,000 | 18,700 | -200 | 1,100 | 26,800 | 26,300 | 24,700 | 500 | 2,100 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 9,300 | 10,300 | 9,200 | -1,000 | 100 | 6,200 | 7,100 | 6,000 | -900 | 200 | 19,400 | 20,600 | 19,300 | -1,200 | 100 |
| Federal | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 0 | 100 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 7,100 | 0 | -1,000 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 0 | 100 | 4,400 | 4,400 | 3,100 | 0 | 1,300 |
| Local | 5,400 | 6,400 | 5,500 | -1,000 | -100 | 4,900 | 5,800 | 4,700 | -900 | 200 | 8,900 | 10,100 | 9,100 | -1,200 | -200 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 71,700 | 72,300 | 70,000 | -600 | 1,700 | 51,100 | 52,000 | 50,000 | -900 | 1,100 | 84,600 | 84,900 | 81,400 | -300 | 3,200 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- city of Manchester, towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, Weare

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Table 7 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| New Hampshire Employment Security<br>Unemployment Compensation<br>Claims Activity | JULY 1994 | JUNE 1994 | JULY 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Regular Unemployment Compensation Programs: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 5,079 | 4,287 | 4,426 | 792 | 18.5% | 653 | 14.8% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 25,044 | 24,821 | 19,928 | 223 | 0.9% | 5,116 | 25.7% |
| Federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation: (program has been discontinued) | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 0 | 0 | 1,544 | ---- | ---- | -1,544 | -100.0% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 0 | 0 | 16,827 | ---- | ---- | -16,827 | -100.0% |

Weeks claimed for regular unemployment compensation were up from last July - but, a year ago, EUC continued claims nearly doubled the total when added in.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of July: $194,320,467.91
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $144.44
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $3,608,374.74
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $7,404,685.21
- ☐ Interest Received: $0.00

### SEASONAL VACATION SHUTDOWNS HELP TO NUDGE UP REGULAR UI CLAIMS

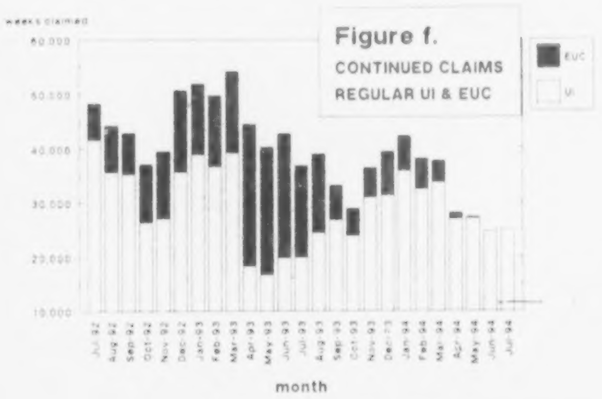

**Figure f.**
CONTINUED CLAIMS
REGULAR UI & EUC

### FUND REMAINS AT NEAR 1989 LEVEL

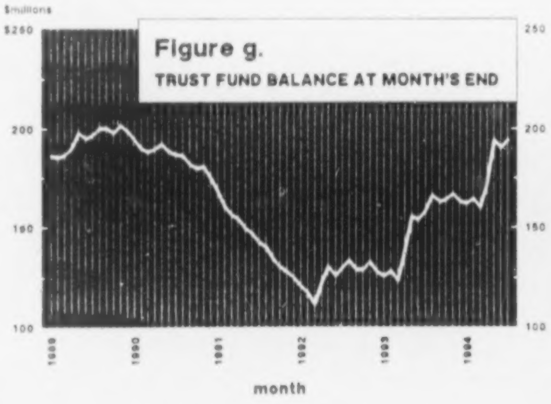

**Figure g.**
TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

## Did you know?

Since 1950 the number of technical workers in the United States has increased nearly 300 percent - triple the growth rate for the work force as a whole - to some 20 million. The sheer growth in the number of technicians and the diversity of occupations they hold bespeak a profound change in their importance to companies that hope to survive and thrive in an era of significant workplace changes. With one out of every four new jobs going to a technical worker, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) forecasts that this group of techno-competents, already the largest broad occupational category in the U.S., will represent a fifth of total employment within a decade. The accompanying chart illustrates how the technical occupations are growing.

*Cleaven Ferguson, Jr.*

**Since 1950 the number of technical workers has grown at triple the rate of the rest of the workforce.**

The Growth of Technicians in the United States

| TECHNICAL OCCUPATION: | 1992 Annual Median Pay | Jobs in 1992 | Projected Job Growth 1992-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians | $26,312 | 268,000 | 26% |
| Computer Programmers | $35,600 | 555,000 | 30% |
| Drafters | $27,400 | 314,000 | 11% |
| Emergency Medical Technicians | | | |
| basic | $22,848 | 114,000 | 36% |
| paramedic | $28,079 | | |
| Engineering Technicians | | | |
| experienced | $28,800 | 695,000 | 19% |
| supervisory | $41,400 | | |
| Library Technicians | $23,900 | 71,000 | 25% |
| Medical Record Technicians | | | 61% |
| supervisory | $29,599 | 76,000 | |
| Paralegals | $28,300 | 95,000 | 86% |
| Radiologic Technicians | $28,236 | 162,000 | 63% |
| Science Technicians | $25,300 | 244,000 | 25% |

Source: *Fortune*, August 22, 1994, "The New Worker Elite"

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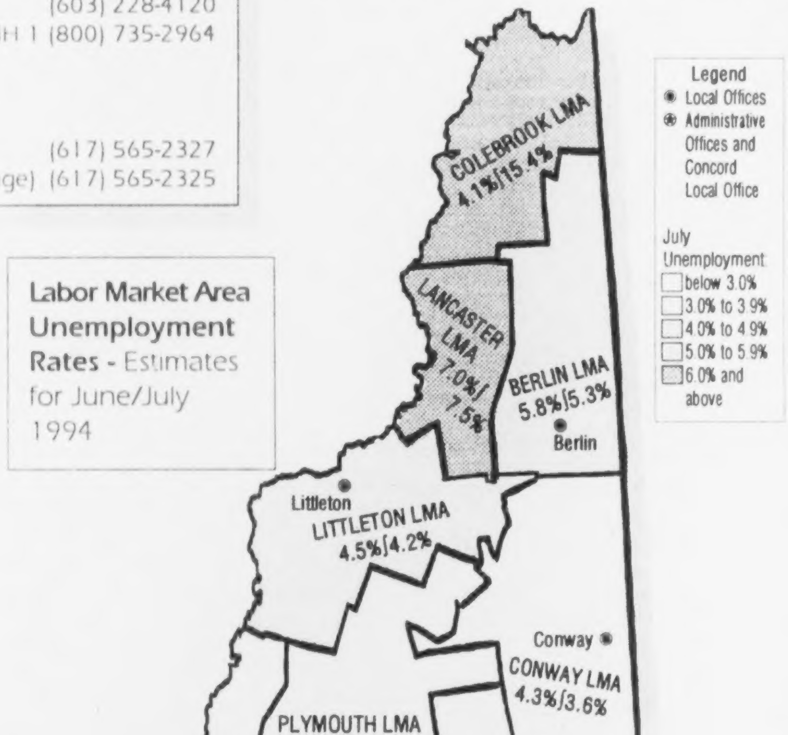
## County Unemployment Rates -
Estimates for June/July 1994

| | June | July | | June | July |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 4.5% | 4.2% | Hillsborough | 5.1% | 4.6% |
| Carroll | 3.8% | 3.2% | Merrimack | 3.7% | 3.1% |
| Cheshire | 4.0% | 3.6% | Rockingham | 5.6% | 5.2% |
| Coos | 5.8% | 7.4% | Strafford | 4.2% | 4.6% |
| Grafton | 3.1% | 2.7% | Sullivan | 3.4% | 3.5% |

**Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates** - Estimates for June/July 1994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July Unemployment
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☐ 3.0% to 3.9%
☐ 4.0% to 4.9%
☐ 5.0% to 5.9%
▨ 6.0% and above
COLEBROOK LMA 4.1%/15.4%
LANCASTER LMA 7.0%/7.5%
BERLIN LMA 5.8%/5.3%
Berlin
Littleton
LITTLETON LMA 4.5%/4.2%
Conway
CONWAY LMA 4.3%/3.6%
PLYMOUTH LMA 3.8%/3.0%
HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 2.4%/2.0%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 4.2%/3.9%
Laconia
CLAREMONT LMA 3.4%/3.6%
Claremont
CONCORD LMA 3.9%/3.2%
Concord
PORTSMOUTH-ROCHESTER, NH-ME PMSA 4.1%/4.0%
Dover
Portsmouth
KEENE-BRATTLEBORO, NH-VT LMA 4.0%/3.6%
Keene
MANCHESTER PMSA 5.1%/4.7%
Manchester
PETERBOROUGH LMA 3.8%/2.9%
NASHUA PMSA 5.2%/4.7%
Nashua
Salem
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 5.3%/5.3%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 6.8%/6.9%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 7.4%/7.2%

# Oooops!

**Sorry, we slipped up in the June issue of *Economic Conditions*.**

We forgot to update the numbers in Table 6 in the June issue. They should have appeared as below. Note that the *preliminary* April numbers have been revised since. The revised April estimates were published in the July issue.

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program<br>Employment by Industry<br>Number of Jobs by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | Manchester PMSA<br>Number of Jobs<br>APRIL 1994 (prelim.) | <br><br>MARCH 1994 (revised) | <br><br>APRIL 1993 | <br>Change From Previous<br>Month | <br><br>Year | Nashua PMSA<br>Number of Jobs<br>APRIL 1994 (prelim.) | <br><br>MARCH 1994 (revised) | <br><br>APRIL 1993 | <br>Change From Previous<br>Month | <br><br>Year | Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA<br>Number of Jobs<br>APRIL 1994 (prelim.) | <br><br>MARCH 1994 (revised) | <br><br>APRIL 1993 | <br>Change From Previous<br>Month | <br><br>Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 86,200 | 85,000 | 83,300 | 1,200 | 2,900 | 79,600 | 79,700 | 78,600 | -100 | 1,000 | 104,000 | 103,700 | 101,300 | 300 | 2,700 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 75,900 | 74,800 | 73,400 | 1,100 | 2,500 | 72,500 | 72,500 | 71,200 | 0 | 1,300 | 80,900 | 79,100 | 76,600 | 1,800 | 4,300 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,500 | 14,300 | 14,200 | 200 | 300 | 28,600 | 28,700 | 28,600 | -100 | 0 | 19,800 | 19,200 | 19,500 | 600 | 300 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,100 | 2,900 | 2,900 | 200 | 200 | 2,100 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 100 | 100 | 2,300 | 1,900 | 2,300 | 400 | 0 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 0 | 100 | 26,500 | 26,700 | 26,600 | -200 | -100 | 17,500 | 17,300 | 17,200 | 200 | 300 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,900 | 6,900 | 7,000 | 0 | -100 | 20,800 | 20,900 | 21,000 | -100 | -200 | 10,100 | 9,900 | 9,900 | 200 | 200 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,400 | 3,300 | 3,100 | 100 | 300 | 11,800 | 11,800 | 11,600 | 0 | 200 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,300 | 0 | 200 | 5,700 | 5,800 | 5,600 | -100 | 100 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 0 | 100 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 61,400 | 60,500 | 59,200 | 900 | 2,200 | 43,900 | 43,800 | 42,600 | 100 | 1,300 | 61,100 | 59,900 | 57,100 | 1,200 | 4,000 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,700 | 5,600 | 5,300 | 100 | 400 | 1,800 | 2,100 | 2,000 | -300 | -200 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 3,100 | -100 | 400 |
| **Trade Total -** | 21,300 | 20,800 | 20,900 | 500 | 400 | 19,500 | 19,400 | 19,400 | 100 | 100 | 25,300 | 24,700 | 24,600 | 600 | 700 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,800 | 4,800 | 5,200 | 0 | -400 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,500 | 0 | -300 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,200 | -100 | 0 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,500 | 16,000 | 15,700 | 500 | 800 | 16,300 | 16,200 | 15,900 | 100 | 400 | 22,100 | 21,400 | 21,400 | 700 | 700 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,600 | 0 | -500 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 3,100 | -100 | 0 | 6,600 | 6,700 | 6,700 | -100 | -100 |
| SERVICES | 27,300 | 27,000 | 25,400 | 300 | 1,900 | 19,500 | 19,100 | 18,100 | 400 | 1,400 | 25,700 | 24,900 | 22,700 | 800 | 3,000 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 10,300 | 10,200 | 9,900 | 100 | 400 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,400 | -100 | -300 | 23,100 | 24,600 | 24,700 | -1,500 | -1,600 |
| Federal | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 800 | 800 | 900 | 0 | -100 | 6,300 | 6,400 | 7,700 | -100 | -1,400 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 | 500 | 600 | 500 | -100 | 0 | 6,600 | 8,000 | 7,000 | -1,400 | -400 |
| Local | 6,500 | 6,400 | 6,200 | 100 | 300 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 6,000 | 0 | -200 | 10,200 | 10,200 | 10,000 | 0 | 200 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 71,700 | 70,700 | 69,100 | 1,000 | 2,600 | 51,000 | 51,000 | 50,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 84,200 | 84,500 | 81,800 | -300 | 2,400 |

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**In this issue...**
Hot off the Press! -

New *Commuting Patterns* ... publication with numbers from the 1990 Census updates earlier publication from the 1980s.

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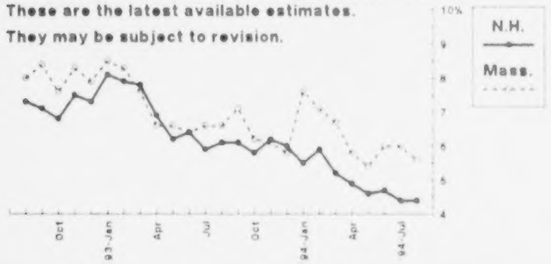
- ❍ New Hampshire's preliminary not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for August was unchanged from the revised July estimate of 4.4 percent. The August 1993 rate was 6.1 percent. This is not strictly comparable due to changes in the Current Population Survey.
- ❍ The U.S. not seasonally adjusted rate was 5.9 percent down from the July rate of 6.2 percent. A year ago it was 6.5 percent.
- ❍ The state's resident labor force increased to 639,090, and employment to 610,810, while unemployment grew by 650 to 28,280.
- ❍ July's revised, not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm employment totals dropped a tenth of a percent to an estimated 513,200 jobs. This was the first July to August drop since before 1972. Increases in those years have ranged from 2.3% in 1972 to 0.3% in 1987. Over the year, however, nonfarm employment added 8,700 jobs.
- ❍ July to August changes in most industry groups, with the exception of Manufacturing, showed below par vitality. Services had the smallest increase in over twenty-three years; retail and wholesale trade, combined, showed the first July-August loss since prior to 1972; construction was down for the first time since 1989.
- ❍ August-to-August, not seasonally adjusted manufacturing jobs growth outpaced total nonfarm jobs growth. Trade employment grew at half the overall rate. Services expanded by four percent, more than double the overall rate. Finance, insurance, and real estate declined by 3.6%.

## Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

### THE N.H. RATE REMAINED UNCHANGED WHILE THE MASS. RATE DROPPED



These are the latest available estimates.
They may be subject to revision.

**Figure a.**
**N.H. AND MASSACHUSETTS UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES**
(not seasonally adjusted)

### NH NONFARM JOBS NUMBERS HAVE SHOWN OVER-THE-YEAR GAINS FOR 29 STRAIGHT MONTHS

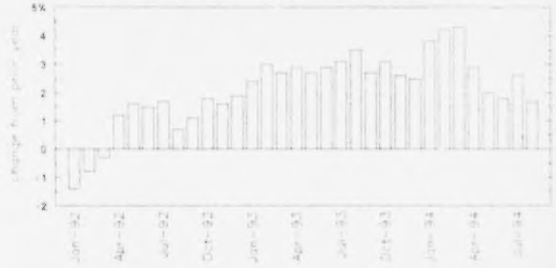


**Figure b.**
**CHANGE IN NH NONFARM JOBS FROM THE PRIOR YEAR**
(not seasonally adjusted)

## Table 1. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates *(by place of residence)* | Number of Workers August 1994 | July 1994 | August 1993 | Net Change From Previous Month | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 639,090 | 633,050 | 630,060 | 6,040 | 9,030 |
| Employed | 610,810 | 605,420 | 591,740 | 5,390 | 19,070 |
| Unemployed | 28,280 | 27,630 | 38,320 | 650 | -10,040 |
| Unemployment Rate *(% of labor force)* | 4.4% | 4.4% | 6.1% | — | — |

**VT & NH, LED NEW ENGLAND WITH LOWEST AUGUST UNEMPLOYMENT, THOUGH VT RATE ROSE**

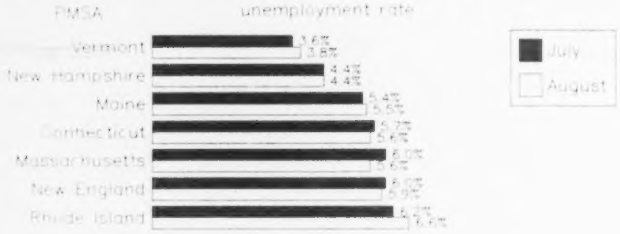


**Figure c.**
NEW ENGLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES
(seasonally adjusted)

## Table 2. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NH SMSA, US, AND REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

| Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Labor Force Estimates (by place of residence) | August 1994 | July 1994 | August 1993 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNITED STATES | 5.9% | 6.2% | 6.5% |
| New Hampshire Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas | | | |
| Manchester PMSA | 4.8% | 4.7% | 5.9% |
| Nashua PMSA | 5.1% | 4.7% | 7.1% |
| Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | 4.0% | 4.1% | 5.2% |
| Boston, MA PMSA | 5.1% | 5.3% | 5.9% |
| Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA | 6.9% | 7.3% | 8.6% |
| Lowell, MA-NH PMSA | 6.6% | 6.9% | 7.8% |
| in the Region | | | |
| NEW ENGLAND | 5.9% | 6.0% | 6.1% |
| Connecticut | 5.6% | 5.7% | 6.3% |
| Maine | 5.5% | 5.4% | 6.9% |
| Massachusetts | 5.6% | 6.0% | 6.6% |
| New Hampshire | 4.4% | 4.4% | 6.1% |
| Rhode Island | 6.6% | 6.2% | 6.9% |
| Vermont | 3.8% | 3.6% | 4.5% |
| NORTHEAST: | | | |
| New Jersey | 6.0% | 6.7% | 7.0% |
| New York | 6.7% | 6.9% | 7.5% |
| Pennsylvania | 6.2% | 6.7% | 7.0% |

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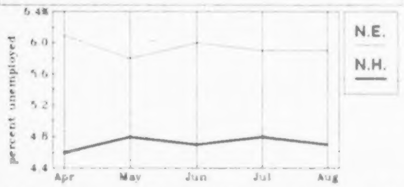
# Seasonally Adjusted Estimates:

New Hampshire's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for August decreased slightly to 4.7 percent from 4.8 percent; the U.S. adjusted unemployment rate for August was 6.1%.

**Figure d.**

**N.H. AND N.E. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - LAST 5 MONTHS**



**N.H./N.E. RATES WIDELY SPREAD MOVED IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS**

Adjusted nonfarm employment fell to 512,000; down from July's revised total of 518,000. All industry divisions lost jobs except wholesale trade.

Table 3. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE UNITED STATES**

| NEW HAMPSHIRE | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 | Jul-94 (revised) | Aug-94 (preliminary) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rate of Unemployment | 4.6% | 4.8% | 4.7% | 4.8% | 4.7% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 623,520 | 616,960 | 621,780 | 627,320 | 629,990 |
| Number Employed | 594,600 | 587,430 | 592,500 | 596,910 | 600,620 |
| Number Unemployed | 28,920 | 29,530 | 29,280 | 30,410 | 29,370 |
| UNITED STATES | (United States labor force numbers in thousands) | | | | |
| Rate of Unemployment | 6.4% | 6.0% | 6.0% | 6.1% | 6.1% |
| Civilian Labor Force | 130,747 | 130,774 | 130,248 | 130,457 | 131,189 |
| Number Employed | 122,338 | 122,872 | 122,430 | 122,452 | 123,166 |
| Number Unemployed | 8,408 | 7,902 | 7,817 | 8,005 | 8,023 |

*Note: Due to changes in the Current Population Survey, 1994 estimates are not strictly comparable to any earlier estimates.*

Table 4. **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT**

| Industry | Apr-94 | May-94 | Jun-94 | Jul-94 (revised) | Aug-94 (preliminary) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES | 514,000 | 512,200 | 513,300 | 518,000 | 512,000 |
| mining* | 300 | 400 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| construction | 18,000 | 17,600 | 17,100 | 17,100 | 16,600 |
| manufacturing | 98,100 | 98,100 | 98,300 | 99,700 | 98,600 |
| durable goods | 66,000 | 66,300 | 66,400 | 67,100 | 66,500 |
| nondurable goods | 32,100 | 31,800 | 31,900 | 32,600 | 32,100 |
| transportation,communications,public utilities | 17,900 | 18,200 | 18,300 | 18,400 | 17,900 |
| wholesale and retail trade, combined | 131,900 | 130,800 | 131,900 | 131,800 | 129,900 |
| wholesale trade | 22,900 | 22,800 | 22,900 | 22,800 | 22,900 |
| retail trade | 109,000 | 108,000 | 109,000 | 109,000 | 107,000 |
| finance, insurance, and real estate | 29,800 | 29,800 | 29,500 | 29,000 | 28,800 |
| services | 142,900 | 143,000 | 143,500 | 144,800 | 144,700 |
| government | 75,000 | 74,200 | 74,200 | 76,700 | 75,000 |

* *Since NH mining employment exhibits no clear seasonal pattern, these estimates are not adjusted.*

**SERVICES JOBS ACCOUNTED FOR MOST OF GAIN FROM LAST AUGUST; RETAIL, GOVERNMENT, & MANUFACTURING JOBS GAINS LOSE GROUND FROM JULY TO AUGUST**

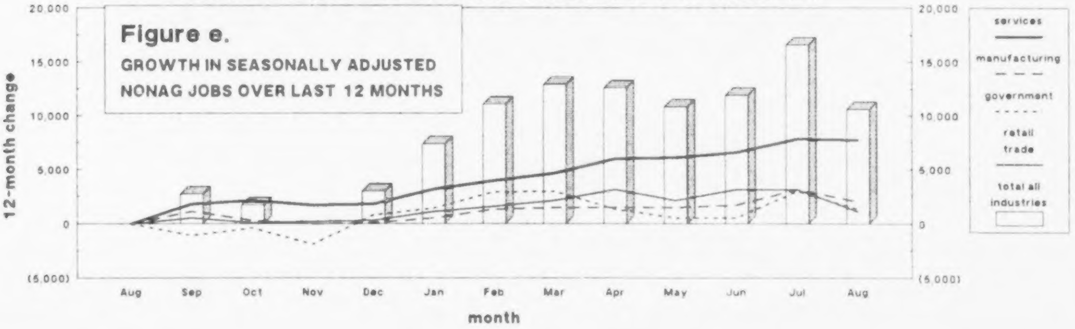


**Figure e.**

**GROWTH IN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NONAG JOBS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS**

Table 5. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW HAMPSHIRE NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program<br>Employment by Industry - Number of Jobs<br>by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | Number of Jobs | | | Net Change From Previous: | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | AUGUST 1994 (preliminary) | JULY 1994 (revised) | AUGUST 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government....** | 513,200 | 513,600 | 504,500 | -400 | 8,700 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 446,600 | 446,400 | 439,400 | 200 | 7,200 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 118,200 | 116,600 | 116,700 | 1,600 | 1,500 |
| MINING | 500 | 500 | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 19,100 | 19,200 | 19,300 | -100 | -200 |
| MANUFACTURING | 98,600 | 96,900 | 96,900 | 1,700 | 1,700 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal* -** | 66,400 | 65,600 | 65,200 | 800 | 1,200 |
| Lumber and wood products | 4,300 | 4,200 | 4,100 | 100 | 200 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,400 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 100 | 200 |
| Stone, clay, glass, and concrete products | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary metal industries | 4,900 | 4,800 | 4,200 | 100 | 700 |
| Fabricated metal products except machinery and transportation products | 7,600 | 7,500 | 7,200 | 100 | 400 |
| Industrial and commercial machinery and computer equipment | 17,500 | 17,600 | 18,600 | -100 | -1,100 |
| Electronic and electrical equipment and components except computer | 15,400 | 15,200 | 13,700 | 200 | 1,700 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 100 | 100 |
| Instruments; photographic, medical, and optical goods; watches and clocks | 10,400 | 10,300 | 11,400 | 100 | -1,000 |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal* -** | 32,200 | 31,300 | 31,700 | 900 | 500 |
| Food and kindred products | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | -100 |
| Textile mill products | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,600 | 0 | 0 |
| Apparel & other finished products made from fabrics & similar materials | 2,400 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 100 | 200 |
| Paper and allied products | 4,600 | 4,400 | 4,600 | 200 | 0 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied industries | 7,600 | 7,800 | 7,600 | -200 | 0 |
| Leather and leather products | 2,100 | 1,500 | 2,200 | 600 | -100 |
| Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 8,600 | 8,400 | 8,200 | 200 | 400 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 328,400 | 329,800 | 322,700 | -1,400 | 5,700 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES | 17,300 | 17,900 | 17,400 | -600 | -100 |
| **Trade Total -** | 133,800 | 134,500 | 132,600 | -700 | 1,200 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 23,200 | 23,300 | 23,000 | -100 | 200 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 110,600 | 111,200 | 109,600 | -600 | 1,000 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 29,300 | 29,500 | 30,400 | -200 | -1,100 |
| SERVICES | 148,000 | 147,900 | 142,300 | 100 | 5,700 |
| Health Services | 43,200 | 43,300 | 41,800 | -100 | 1,400 |
| Hospitals | 18,100 | 18,200 | 17,700 | -100 | 400 |
| Other Health Services | 25,200 | 25,200 | 24,100 | 0 | 1,100 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT** | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 66,600 | 67,200 | 65,100 | -600 | 1,500 |
| Federal | 7,800 | 7,800 | 7,700 | 0 | 100 |
| State | 18,500 | 18,800 | 18,500 | -300 | 0 |
| Local | 40,300 | 40,600 | 38,900 | -300 | 1,400 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING AND GOVERNMENT** | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 395,000 | 397,000 | 387,800 | -2,000 | 7,200 |

* *Data does not add due to some unpublishable industry statistics*

## Table 6. MONTHLY NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF JOBS, IN NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA EMPLOYERS

| Current Employment Statistics (CES or BLS 790) program | Manchester PMSA | | | | | Nashua PMSA | | | | | Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Employment by Industry | Number of Jobs | | | Change From Previous | | Number of Jobs | | | Change From Previous | | Number of Jobs | | | Change From Previous | |
| Number of Jobs by place of establishment, benchmarked on March 1993 data | AUGUST 1994 (prelim.) | JULY 1994 (revised) | AUGUST 1993 | th | Year | AUGUST 1994 (prelim.) | JULY 1994 (revised) | AUGUST 1993 | Month | Year | AUGUST 1994 (prelim.) | JULY 1994 (revised) | AUGUST 1993 | Month | Year |
| **TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES, Private and Government** | 85,300 | 86,600 | 85,900 | -1,300 | -600 | 79,800 | 79,300 | 78,300 | 500 | 1,500 | 104,500 | 103,800 | 101,300 | 700 | 3,200 |
| **PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Private Employment Total -** | 75,900 | 77,300 | 76,700 | -1,400 | -800 | 73,700 | 73,100 | 72,400 | 600 | 1,300 | 85,400 | 84,400 | 82,100 | 1,000 | 3,300 |
| **Goods Producing (Private) Total -** | 14,900 | 14,900 | 15,100 | 0 | -200 | 28,500 | 28,200 | 28,700 | 300 | -200 | 20,600 | 19,700 | 20,100 | 900 | 500 |
| CONSTRUCTION *plus* MINING | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,800 | 0 | -100 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,300 | 0 | -100 | 2,900 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 100 | 0 |
| MANUFACTURING | 11,200 | 11,200 | 11,300 | 0 | -100 | 26,300 | 26,000 | 26,400 | 300 | -100 | 17,700 | 16,900 | 17,200 | 800 | 500 |
| **Durable Goods Subtotal -** | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 0 | -100 | 20,700 | 20,400 | 20,900 | 300 | -200 | 10,300 | 9,900 | 10,000 | 400 | 300 |
| Indus/Com Machnry *plus* Elctrcal/Elctrnic Eq | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 0 | 0 | 11,700 | 11,400 | 11,500 | 300 | 200 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| **Nondurable Goods Subtotal -** | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 0 | 0 | 5,600 | 5,600 | 5,500 | 0 | 100 | 7,400 | 7,000 | 7,200 | 400 | 200 |
| **Private Service Producing Total -** | 61,000 | 62,400 | 61,600 | -1,400 | -600 | 45,200 | 44,900 | 43,700 | 300 | 1,500 | 64,800 | 64,700 | 62,000 | 100 | 2,800 |
| TRANSP/COMMNCTNS/ELEC/GAS/SANITARY SVS | 5,900 | 6,000 | 5,400 | -100 | 500 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 0 | -100 | 3,700 | 3,900 | 3,500 | -200 | 200 |
| **Trade Total -** | 20,600 | 21,200 | 20,800 | -600 | -200 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,100 | 0 | -100 | 27,600 | 27,700 | 27,000 | -100 | 600 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 4,600 | 4,700 | 5,000 | -100 | -400 | 3,200 | 3,300 | 3,600 | -100 | -400 | 3,600 | 3,500 | 3,300 | 100 | 300 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 16,000 | 16,500 | 15,800 | -500 | 200 | 16,800 | 16,700 | 16,500 | 100 | 300 | 24,000 | 24,200 | 23,700 | -200 | 300 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE | 6,600 | 6,800 | 7,700 | -200 | -1,100 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,200 | -100 | -200 | 6,500 | 6,500 | 6,800 | 0 | -300 |
| SERVICES | 27,900 | 28,400 | 27,700 | -500 | 200 | 20,200 | 19,800 | 18,300 | 400 | 1,900 | 27,000 | 26,600 | 24,700 | 400 | 2,300 |
| **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Government Total -** | 9,400 | 9,300 | 9,200 | 100 | 200 | 6,100 | 6,200 | 5,900 | -100 | 200 | 19,100 | 19,400 | 19,200 | -300 | -100 |
| Federal | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 0 | 100 | 800 | 800 | 800 | 0 | 0 | 5,500 | 6,100 | 7,100 | -600 | -1,600 |
| State | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,200 | 0 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 400 | 0 | 100 | 4,700 | 4,400 | 3,300 | 300 | 1,400 |
| Local | 5,500 | 5,400 | 5,500 | 100 | 0 | 4,800 | 4,900 | 4,700 | -100 | 100 | 8,900 | 8,900 | 8,800 | 0 | 100 |
| **PRIVATE SERVICE PRODUCING & GOVERNMENT:** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Service Producing Total -** | 70,400 | 71,700 | 70,800 | -1,300 | -400 | 51,300 | 51,100 | 49,600 | 200 | 1,700 | 83,900 | 84,100 | 81,200 | -200 | 2,700 |

**Manchester PMSA** -- city of Manchester; towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, Weare.

**Nashua PMSA** -- city of Nashua; towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, New Ipswich, Wilton.

**Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA** -- New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, Somersworth; New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Brentwood, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollinsford, Rye, Stratham, and Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, York.

N.A. - *non-available (these categories are not broken out due to confidentiality considerations)*

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Table 7. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INITIAL CLAIMS FILED AND CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTH, YEAR

| **New Hampshire Employment Security** Unemployment Compensation **Claims Activity** | AUGUST 1994 | JULY 1994 | AUGUST 1993 | Change from Previous Month Net | Change from Previous Month Percent | Change from Previous Year Net | Change from Previous Year Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Regular Unemployment Compensation Programs: | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 3,516 | 5,079 | 4,094 | -1,563 | -30.8% | -578 | -14.1% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 28,685 | 25,044 | 24,400 | 3,641 | 14.5% | 4,285 | 17.6% |
| Federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation: (program has been discontinued) | | | | | | | |
| Initial Claims Filed | 0 | 0 | 902 | 0 | --- | -902 | -100.0% |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 0 | 0 | 14,453 | 0 | --- | -14,453 | -100.0% |

Weeks of regular unemployment compensation claimed were up from last August - but then EUC claims added 14,453 continued weeks. Initials were down even considering EUC activity in 1993.

*Source: New Hampshire Employment Security Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau*

- ☐ Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of June: $203,959,491.56
- ☐ Average payment for a week of total unemployment: $146.41
- ☐ Net benefits paid: $3,856,239.81
- ☐ Net contributions received during the month: $10,361,262.60
- ☐ Interest Received: $3,134,000.86

## CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED WERE UP IN AUGUST

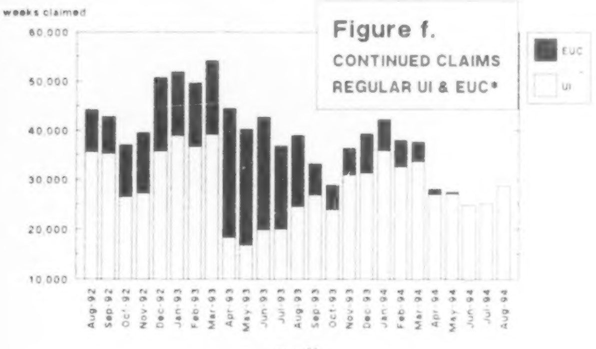

**Figure f.** CONTINUED CLAIMS REGULAR UI & EUC*

* program discontinued.

## AUGUST INTEREST POSTING PUTS FUND BALANCE ABOVE NOVEMBER 1989 PEAK

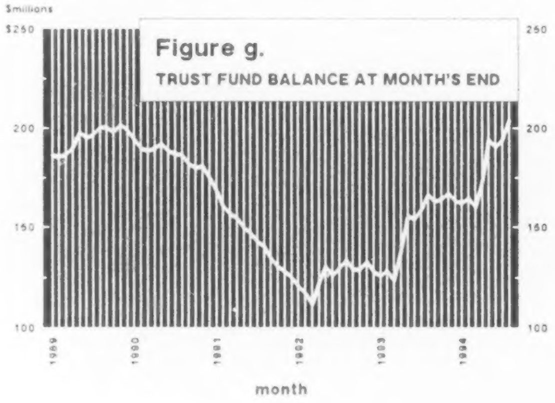

**Figure g.** TRUST FUND BALANCE AT MONTH'S END

# Hot off the press!

**An analysis of New Hampshire commuting data from the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census.**

*New Hampshire Commuting Patterns: 1990 Census*: 142 pages, August 1994.

Commuting information as extracted from magnetic tapes of 1990 U.S. Decennial Census data provided by the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce.

In March of 1990 New Hampshire had approximately 566,600 residents working, according to the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census. Fewer than four out of ten of them resided in the town where they worked. How does an employer know where to find a work force? Where would a resident of a town be likely to work? What do the majority of the workers perceive to be an acceptable commute? This publication delineates, in narrative and in statistical tables, where the jobs were and where the labor force lived that supported those jobs. The data for each labor market area is sequenced in three statistical tables: a summary of the commuting habits of the residents of each town in the area; a detailed analysis of where the residents of each town work; and another such analysis of where the workers in each town reside. Additionally, interstate commuting patterns are identified and enumerated.

*New Hampshire Commuting Patterns: 1990 Census* is part of a series of commuting patterns publications based on decennial census data. The last commuting patterns publication was *Commuting Patterns for New Hampshire - 1980* which was based on the 1980 Decennial Census.

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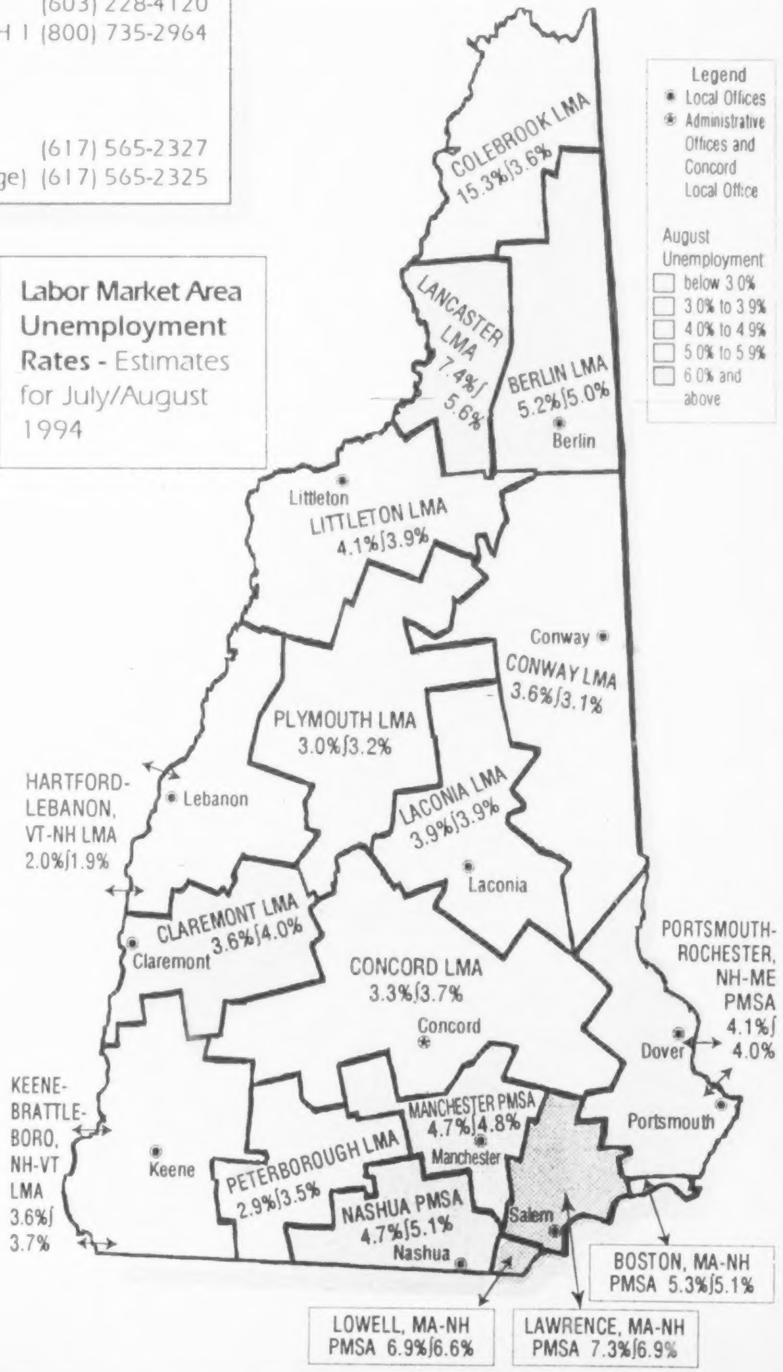
## County Unemployment Rates -
Estimates for July/August 1994

| | July | August | | July | August |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belknap | 4.2% | 4.2% | Hillsborough | 4.6% | 4.8% |
| Carroll | 3.2% | 2.8% | Merrimack | 3.1% | 3.5% |
| Cheshire | 3.6% | 3.7% | Rockingham | 5.2% | 5.5% |
| Coos | 7.3% | 4.8% | Strafford | 4.7% | 4.0% |
| Grafton | 2.8% | 2.7% | Sullivan | 3.5% | 3.8% |

**Labor Market Area Unemployment Rates -** Estimates for July/August 1994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COLEBROOK LMA 15.3%/3.6%
LANCASTER LMA 7.4%/5.6%
BERLIN LMA 5.2%/5.0%
Berlin
Littleton
LITTLETON LMA 4.1%/3.9%
Conway
CONWAY LMA 3.6%/3.1%
PLYMOUTH LMA 3.0%/3.2%
HARTFORD-LEBANON, VT-NH LMA 2.0%/1.9%
Lebanon
LACONIA LMA 3.9%/3.9%
Laconia
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Concord
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Dover
Portsmouth
KEENE-BRATTLEBORO, NH-VT LMA 3.6%/3.7%
Keene
MANCHESTER PMSA 4.7%/4.8%
Manchester
PETERBOROUGH LMA 2.9%/3.5%
NASHUA PMSA 4.7%/5.1%
Nashua
Salem
BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA 5.3%/5.1%
LOWELL, MA-NH PMSA 6.9%/6.6%
LAWRENCE, MA-NH PMSA 7.3%/6.9%

## Verry Interresting!

### The voting age population is aging as "Baby Boomers" reach middle age.

The U.S. Census Bureau projects that the voting age population in the United States will reach 193.7 million persons by election day 1994, a jump of 7.8 million since the 1990 Congressional elections. This will represent a thirty-eight percent increase since 1972, with a lot of this growth attributable to high births rates during the peak Baby Boom years from the mid 1950s to 1964. The "Boomers" are reaching middle age. The so called "graying" of the voting age population is expected to continue through the end of the decade. The 45-and-over age group will make up approximately forty-four percent (84.4 million people) of those eligible to vote on the second Tuesday in November, 1994, up from forty-two percent in 1990. This group will grow to 95.2 million people by the year 2000. Virtually no growth is anticipated for the 18-to-44 year old group during that same period.

The Census Bureau expects New Hampshire's voting age (18 years of age and over) population, to reach 843,000 for the upcoming November election. This will amount to 5,000 more voting age persons than in 1992 and 8,000 more than in 1990. In the 1990 off-year election, only 34.8 percent of the population voted. The 25-to-44 year old group is expected to hold largest number of potential New Hampshire voters making up 45.2 percent of the total population 18 and over. Females will make up 51.7 percent of the voting age population. New Hampshire, with a projected 16 percent of its voting age population in the 65-and-over age group, will rank 37th the among the fifty states and the District of Columbia. This contrasts with Florida, where a projected 24.6 percent of the total voting age population, in the age 65 or older group, places it at the top of the list.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *Projections of the Voting-Age Population, for States* November 1994, Lynne M. Casper, Report P25-1117, May 1994.

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